

WEATHER

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Friday: Cloudy, Mild

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TODAY'S NEWS TODAY

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Demerit Points Refund

Motorists caught driving without a valid drivers' certificate will get only a warning and allowed 14 days to acquire that certificate under new instructions issued by Attorney-General Alex Macdonald.

The usual penalty for driving without a driver's insurance certificate is a \$250 fine and 10 demerit points but Macdonald said today there has been "such confusion in the public's mind" that drivers should be given a second chance.

Any driver who has already been fined for driving without a valid certificate should apply to the motor-vehicle branch, said Macdonald, "and if they can show it was a legitimate case of misunderstanding I would hope the motor-vehicle branch would drop the 10 demerit points."

He said, however, he did not think drivers could receive a refund on their actual fines.

"I hope that everyone understands now that you have to renew your certificate by your birthday, but we will give them 14 days to rectify the situation if they haven't complied with the law," he said.

Besides confusion on the part of the public about the certificates, Macdonald said there has been a problem with Autoplan's computer sys-

Driver Tests Speeded

GRADUATES of licensed driver training schools will be issued drivers' licences without any standard government road test under an interim program announced today.

Transport Minister Bob Strachan said elimination of motor-vehicle branch road tests for driver training graduates is a step to reduce long waiting periods for people seeking driver examinations.

He said there has been a "surge" in the number of people applying for drivers' licences and "public inconvenience has been particularly acute."

"For that reason this temporary measure is being instituted to expedite licensing of drivers until additional MVD staff is operational," said Strachan.

Suspension of the separate government road tests for driver training school graduates will last until April 30 but road tests will still be required by all other applicants.

Strachan said the program will be closely monitored to ensure licensing standards do not suffer, and therefore some driving school graduates, chosen at random, will also be required to take a regular road test before a licence is issued.

Any person licensed through the temporary program will also still be liable to re-examination by the motor vehicle branch.

There are 86 licensed driver training schools in the province.

An additional 24 driver examiners and 11 support staff have been hired by the motor-vehicle branch but Strachan said they will not be fully trained until April 30.

Roof Collapses At Airport

TEHRAN, Iran (UPI) — The roof of the main terminal at Mehrabad International Airport collapsed with a roar like hail and brimstone" under the weight of an overnight snowfall today, killing or trapping up to 60 persons.

A government spokesman said 20 persons were confirmed dead.

Hushang Arabi, director of Iran's civil aviation board, said between 50 and 60 persons were under the roof when it gave way without warning about 4 p.m.



CHAIN AND SAW but no chainsaw is the Newfie joke device called a Newfoundland Chain Saw being studied by student welder Bob Kinsella at the College of Cape Breton Tech in Sydney, N.S. Kinsella says it was made by a fellow student in the evening course.

NEWS BRIEFS

Border Watched

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — United States-Canada border points were warned Wednesday to be on the lookout for an escaped murderer from the British Columbia Penitentiary.

Ivan Jan Horvat, 21, convicted of murdering a 17-year-old girl and serving a life sentence, is believed to have scaled the penitentiary wall about midnight Tuesday along with Wayne Gary Farkas, 28, who was serving a 5½-year sentence.

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GRAIN CHECKERS BALK AT PACT

Times News Services

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grain inspectors returned to work at 8 a.m. today and half an hour later ship loadings were under way at several elevators—47 in Vancouver, three in both Prince Rupert and Victoria.

Grain inspectors as well as meat graders also returned to work today in Edmonton and Saskatoon.

The inspectors are to vote tonight on the settlement reached yesterday.

Treasury Board President Jean Chretien told the Commons the settlement called for an 18 per cent increase over a 15-month contract, but Andy Stewart, negotiator for the striking inspectors said that the figure was "a lie."

Outside the Commons, Industry, Trade and Commerce Minister Alistair Gillespie ad-

vised the branch for owner identification.

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Red Tape Loses City's Fine \$

Times News Services

Slow processing of vehicle identification by the provincial motor vehicle branch is costing the city of Victoria a "substantial" amount of lost revenue from parking offences, the finance committee was told today.

City comptroller Mason Sheldrick said the problem arises when parking ticket fines haven't been paid within 72 hours of issuance. In such cases the vehicle licence number and description are forwarded to the motor vehicle

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\$30,910 B.C. Job For Howard

Former NDP MLA and Member of Parliament Frank Howard has been appointed as special consultant to the provincial government in all matters dealing with B.C. Indians.

He will receive an annual salary of \$30,910.

Howard was elected to the B.C. legislature in 1953 and served three years as the representative from Skeena. He was elected as MP for the federal Skeena riding in 1957 and kept his position until July, 1974.

As MP, he was the NDP critic on Indian affairs.

Human Resources Minister Norm Levi said Howard will work with Indians and the government on the resolution of problems.

50% Pay Increase For MPs Studied

Times News Services

OTTAWA — A 50 per cent pay increase for members of Parliament has been recommended by an informal parliamentary committee. The government is studying the proposal but as yet there has been no official reaction.

The committee — Marc Maeguin (L-Windsor-Walkerville), Heath MacQuarrie (PC-Hillsborough), Stuart Leggett (NDP-New Westminster) and Andre Fortin (SC-Lotbinerie) — discussed the subject with their caucus members and made recommendations to Mitchell Sharp, privy council president.

MPs now receive \$18,000 annually, plus an \$8,000 tax-free expense allowance. Before the last increase in 1971, they received \$12,000 with a \$6,000 tax-free allowance.

The committee was not officially established by Parliament but is a government source says its work was "encouraged" because the government wants agreement among MPs before introducing legislation on the delicate subject.

It is understood suggestions for a new salary range from \$24,000 to \$35,000, with the suggested expense allowance ranging from its current \$8,000 to \$15,000. In addition, it is suggested that in future, salaries be tied to the national average increase in wages

and salaries.

Prior to the opening of this Parliament on Sept. 30, government sources were predicting a hefty increase in salaries.

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Wednesday that legislation to

increase salaries is not a high

priority "but once we estab-

lish there is a clear consen-

sus in the short haul to take

extra security precautions."

The attorney-general said there will be an increased use of arms by sheriffs because the "word" might get out that sheriffs are "marks" and it could "spread in the pen that maybe it would be easy to break out from the sheriffs' escort service."

A policy statement govern-

ing when deputies should be

armed will be released to the

public shortly, said Mac-

donald, but the individual de-

cisions will be made by Geoff

Mortimer, director of sheriffs' services, based on the individ-

ual prisoners involved.

In some cases deputies

would be armed, but in more

extreme instances armed police

could also accompany the

prisoner escorts.

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quate but more would be or-

dered if necessary.

Both Macdonald and deputy

attorney-general D. A. Vickers

were uncertain how

many guns the deputies have

but said they are all kept at

the B.C. Institute of Technol-

ogy where the men are

trained.

Deputies are given a short

training in the use of arms at

the school but they are meant

to be more of a "civilian

force" said Macdonald, with

the bulk of their duties cen-

trating around courtroom securi-

ty and the serving of writs.

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OPTOMETRY OUT, SAYS UVIC SENATE

University of Victoria senate Wednesday dropped plans for establishing a new school of optometry on campus because of lack of support from the federal and provincial government.

Academic Affairs Dean John Dewey told senate UVic officials have met federal and provincial representatives, and members of the profession and felt the university could take no further action.

"It's up to the governments to decide whether finances are available to have an optometry school established in Western Canada," he said.

Munro

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deal with any breaches of the Criminal Code.

A 17-year-old Lawrence, PC-Northumberland-Durham, a former Ontario attorney-general, asked whether Munro returned the campaign donation to the union before or after he learned of a police investigation into SIU affairs "and specifically to his own election campaign funds."

The labor minister replied that when he returned the "monies" to the union "I was aware generally that they were the subject matter of controversy," although he was not aware of the nature of the controversy.

"I thought it might be misunderstood if I kept this particular contribution and it was for this reason I returned it, not because I thought it was improper," Munro stated.

The SIU contribution was made to Munro's campaign fund only two months after he mediated an end to a strike by the union against the Canadian Lake Carriers Association.

"Any minister of labor in the country might suspect, then, having received money from a union to finance a campaign," the minister said.

"If every member of the House is to be subjected to inuendo because of campaign contributions received at election time, perhaps we should all go before the committee on privileges and elections," he added.

Asked by New Democratic Party parliamentary leader Ed Broadbent to appoint an industrial inquiry commission into SIU activities, similar to the inquiry conducted by Mr. Justice Tom Norris in 1962, the labor minister stated he would wait first for the result of the RCMP investigation which he requested earlier.

Jungle Hampers Rescuers



Trudeau, Ford before working dinner

NORAD RENEWAL EYED

WASHINGTON (CP) — Prime Minister Trudeau said today that Canada is going to increase defence spending and probably will renew the North American Defence Agreement (NORAD) with the United States.

Speaking at a news conference, the prime

minister advised Canadian and American reporters that if they were bettors, they should take good odds on the renewal of NORAD.

The matter was still being discussed by the cabinet but NORAD probably would be renewed when the agreement expired next April.

According to Head, Trudeau made a convincing point in the discussions when he invited the president to think what he might do if the shoe was on the other foot."

Meanwhile, Senator Walter Mondale (Denn., Minn.) said today he has warned Trudeau that Canadian oil pricing and supply policies might lead to an ugly relationship between Canada and the United States.

Secretary of the Interior Rogers Morton explained to Canadian newsmen that "Canada has been sending us about one million barrels of oil a day ... and have been replacing it in Canada with imported oil." Now Canada is moving toward supplying more of its own needs.

Accepting the inevitable, Morton added, "we will have to find a replacement for this oil." He suggested it could be done through conservation, obtaining oil from U.S. public lands that have not yet been developed, and by substituting other energy sources, such as coal.

Mondale said that Trudeau, at the breakfast with a group of U.S. senators, "took a very hard line."

On a lighter subject, Trudeau and Ford expressed confidence to each other that trade and agriculture officials will find a solution to the Ca-

nadian beef quota, and U.S. counter-quota, that have recently ruffled both governments.

The two leaders covered many other topics during their meeting, stating positions regarding the world economy, the state of the economy in their own countries, and the problems created by accumulation of petrodollars by Arab nations.

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, who participated in the meeting along with Canada's External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen, expressed confidence that the International Energy Agency might make progress in a direct meeting with the oil-producing states.

Trudeau mentioned Canada's shift in foreign policy, to become less dependent on the U.S. and to become more involved with Europe.

The president, in response, said he appreciated Canada's desire to create and enforce its own sense of identity but hoped pursuit of that policy would not be harmful to the U.S. and that details of it might be fully discussed.

There was also a discussion of environmental problems, with Trudeau again mentioning Canada's concern about pollution in the Great Lakes, the danger of an oil spill off the West Coast, the Garrison diversion program in North Dakota and the Skagit Valley Dam in B.C.

site. Officials said the wreckage was still smouldering. Clothing and pieces of passenger luggage draped from the nearby trees.

The impact left a bright white scar on the face of the dark rock cliff which was visible for miles when the fog lifted.

Although teams brought back a few bodies, officials said the men had not yet been able to reach the area where the main wreckage was believed to lie.

Rescue teams were dropped at the site by helicopters, then left to struggle through the dense jungle surrounding the

area. The death toll was exceeded only by the 345 who perished in the crash of a Trans-Canada flight near Paris in March.

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the weather

Variably cloudy skies covered most of B.C. this morning with isolated shower activity reported over the mountains. A series of disturbances moving towards the B.C. coast from the southwest will increase cloud cover along the west coast today bringing occasional light rain or showers by this afternoon. Clouds and showers will spread eastward tonight to cover eastern sections of the province Friday.

DOMINION PUBLIC WEATHER OFFICE

5 A.M. FORECASTS
Valid Until Midnight Friday

Greater Victoria: Today, cloudy with occasional showers beginning this afternoon. Highs near 50. Tomorrow, cloudy with showers. Lows near 40 highs near 50.

North and West Vancouver Island: Today, cloudy with periods of light rain beginning by noon. Highs near 50. Tomorrow, cloudy with periods of rain. Lows near 40. Highs near 50.

Greater Vancouver, Lower Mainland, East Vancouver Island: Today, cloudy with occasional showers beginning this afternoon. Highs near 50. Tomorrow, cloudy with occasional showers. Lows near 40. Highs near 50.

TEMPERATURES
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One Year Ago
Victoria 44 38 —

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Halifax 36 26 .01
Saint John 30 10
Montreal 23 4
Ottawa 25 8
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North Bay 23 14
Churchill 10 7
The Pas 26 13
Alert 29 39
Cambridge B. 32 33
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Medicine Hat 48 34
Lethbridge 48 37
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Cranbrook 39 35 .02
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Vancouver 51 41 .14
Prince Rupert 46 37 .07
Prince George 42 36 .01
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Dawson City 98 — 4
Fort Nelson 1 — 2
Peace River 18 9 .06
Whitehorse 18 12
Fort St. John 15 2 .06
Yellowknife 1 — 5 .18

CITY'S WEATHER RECORD
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Last Dec. 8.9 hrs.
Normal (30 years) 7.5 hrs.
Sunshine, 1974 2,166.1 hrs.
Last year 2,237.0 hrs.
Normal (30 years) 2,137.1 hrs.
Precipitation Dec. .06 ins.
Last Dec. .77 ins.
Normal (30 years) .69 ins.
Precipitation, 1974 21.41 ins.
Last Year 15.17 ins.
Normal (30 years) 22.12 ins.

SUNRISE, SUNSET FRIDAY
(Pacific Standard Time)
Sunrise 7:49 SUNSET 16:19

TIDES AT VICTORIA HARBOR

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What's happening in your community? The Times on this page features news and views from community and ratepayer groups on southern Vancouver Island. The community news page appears every

Thursday and is available to any community-related, non-profit public groups.

Send or bring in your notices and reports of meetings to the Victoria Times, 2621 Douglas, or telephone 382-3131 and ask for "community news."

Community News Roundup

ALBERT HEAD RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION is still fighting to get rid of William Head prison... and this time it's going right to Prime Minister Trudeau.

A letter has been sent to the prime minister outlining the association's objections to the prison which is being upgraded to a medium security institution.

"That prison went in as a temporary measure 13 years ago," said president Shirley Wilde. "It was only supposed to stay 18 months."

Now the federal government is planning additions and upgrading facilities, she said.

Eighty-seven acres of waterfront property is not the place for a prison, she said.

At least one area of town has more babysitters than it has babies to sit. The **NEWTON-RICHMOND SOCIETY'S** new Central Babysitting Registry has a lengthy list of willing workers after the Saanich fire department ran a babysitting course last month in Newton Gardens, said registry co-ordinator Loretta Hutton.

If you live in the area and want to use the service, call her at 592-2237.

With a little bit o' luck you can stock your deepfreeze with enough meat to feed an army of Christmas guests.

The **NORTHRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** is raising a hind quarter of beef on Dec. 15, and tickets are still available.

Call 479-4089 to try your luck. Proceeds will go towards a kiddies picnic next year, said the association's Mary Szalai.

In this time of landlord-tenant friction, residents of Blanshard Courts are creating better relations with management.

The **BLANSHARD TENANTS' ASSOCIATION** has formed a sub-committee to meet with management to iron out some problems, such as broken windows and the possibility of insurance for breakage.

Meanwhile, the tenants themselves will meet at 7:30 tonight in apt. number 2, 2503 Blanshard, and talk about absenteeism from school along with representatives from S. J. Willis junior secondary.

They'll also talk about getting funds for a place teenagers can get out of the rain, and for goal-tending equipment for the Courts' young hockey team, association president Lou Jordison said.

Members of the **MT. NEWTON PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION** are keeping an eye on the proposed oceanographic institute to be built on Patricia Bay.

They're watching the studies now being done on-site by oceanographers and scientists, and talked about the project's effects on local residents at an executive meeting Wednesday night.

Nobody's ever had a dull time at a **PROSPECT LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** New Year's Eve dance at the community hall. In that rural setting the people are friendly and everyone from 20 to 80 comes out to celebrate, said association member Gaynor Harkness.

The music is for all ages and all dance styles. A few tickets are still available from Neil Merritt at 479-2389, at \$15 per couple.

The association's first ham and turkey bingo of the season will be on this Saturday, and tickets can be reserved at 479-2290.

Fernwood residents may soon be able to come to an office financed from L.I.P. grant funds.

The **FERNWOLD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** applied for about \$15,000, said member Hans Frederiksen, "and should find out any day."

Association members want to get money through the Neighborhood Improvement Projects program like Vic West and James Bay have done, but first want to know what people want.

An office would give them a place to come and talk about Fernwood's future.

Members of the **JAMES BAY NEW HORIZONS** group can hear Pearson College of the Pacific director Jack Matthews speak about the new college on Friday.

He'll be at the group's general meeting at 10 a.m., at 511 Michigan St.

Two groups in town accepting used toys before Christmas this year are the **SAANICH KIWANIS CLUB** and the **VICTORIA JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**. The Kiwanis members do repairs and deliver them to children recommended by the welfare department. They brightened the lives of about 500 families last year. For donations, call 384-0443 or 333-2106.

Chamber members distribute their toys to children who live on the Gulf Islands and need assistance. The annual Santa Ship Cruise, complete with toys, will be Dec. 14 and 15. Toys can be dropped off at the Jaycee hall on Quadra or The Bay's Toy Box.

Some new faces and some incumbents make up the new-

ly-elected executive of the **VIEW ROYAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**.

Tony Miller was re-elected president for a second term. Others elected were Bea Peach, vice-president, Dick Faulks treasurer, Joy Trail recording secretary and Margaret Kerr corresponding secretary.

Renovation of the games room at the **VICTORIA BOYS' CLUB** on Yates is the aim of members who are selling Christmas cakes.

The sales will bring in a little money "just to make the room a nicer place to be," said Jack Thornburgh.

Another Old-Timers' Dance, this time a special Christmas event, will be held at the View Royal Community Centre sponsored by its **PROJECTS COMMITTEE**, next Tuesday. It'll start at 8:30, and all ages are welcome.

The expression "old-timers" refers to the type of music and not the age it caters to," said Carolyn McIsaac.

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sq. yd.

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OTTAWA (CP) — The RCMP's survival depends on removal of the traditional veil of secrecy that has characterized the 101-year-old police force, a retired member Wednesday told an inquiry into the RCMP's handling of citizens complaints and internal discipline procedures.

"No force can last without public co-operation," John Batza, a former staff sergeant and 28-year veteran of the force told the inquiry headed by Provincial Court Judge Rene Marin.

Batza said as much as possible, excluding national security areas, should be laid open to public scrutiny. Members of the force now are as ignorant of certain aspects of its operation as the general public.

He said something must be done soon to correct the sagging morale in the force, a result of an atmosphere of fear among the members.

He recalled asking what the criteria was for gaining promotion in the force and being told, "I think you've got a lot of nerve to ask that."

The Women's Auxiliary to the C.N.L.B. will hold its annual meeting Friday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m., at the C.N.L.B.

Rev. Hugh M. Hunter will officiate when the southern Vancouver Island Girl Guides hold a carol service Friday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m., at the First United Church, Quadra St.

Jack Mathews, director of the Pearson College of the Pacific, will speak on the college at a meeting of the James Bay New Horizons Friday, Dec. 6, at 10 a.m., at the James Bay United Church, 511 Michigan St.

The Anglican Church Women of St. Barnabas Church will hold its Christmas bazaar and tea Saturday, Dec. 7, at 2 p.m., at St. Barnabas Church, Belmont and Begbie.

Molly Phillips, a former teacher in China, and former Greater Victoria Public Library director John C. Lort will present slides and commentary on the People's Republic of China on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m., at St. David by-the-Sea's Fellowship Hall, 5184 Cordova Bay Road.

capital scene

The Grace MacInnis Club will not hold its regular meeting during the month of December. The group will meet Saturday, Dec. 7, at 2 p.m., in the committee rooms, 1018 Blanshard St., for an informal lunch following the annual Christmas sale.

W. M. Osborne will direct the Claremont Senior Secondary School choir in a program of sacred music and carols including "Amen" to Tallis.

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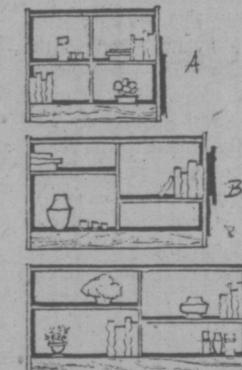
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Catch 22 in the Budget

Learning to live with Finance Minister John Turner's budget is not difficult in the short term. Everybody gets a share, as Milo Minderbinder said in Joseph Heller's famous novel. But the Catch 22 is increased government spending that inevitably fuels inflation. To move from a \$250 million surplus in the current fiscal year to a \$1.5 billion deficit next year — an increase of only 15 per cent in real spending according to Turner — is not the mechanism of restraint.

As Bank of Canada Governor Gerald Bouey cautiously observed: "... countries may again over react to the temporary weakness of their economies with an excessive dosage of fiscal and monetary stimulus, thereby ensuring even higher inflation rates two or three years from now."

The finance minister went so far as to admit he was weaving a delicate pattern. And as the long Canadian winter sets in it appears he missed a few stitches. Unemployment is expected to rise to more than seven per cent this winter. Meanwhile, the growth of the Canadian economy will probably be at the very best under four per cent in 1975. Corporate profits are also expected to fall which could result in some long strikes and difficult labor-management relations when more than one million Canadian workers go to the bargaining table next year. In the 12 month period to the end of September wages and salaries in the industrial sector rose faster than consumer prices, indicating that labor has finally caught up to increased prices.

Serious Charges Need Investigating

It's not a pretty picture. A pistol packing Ontario MLA holding corridor press conferences under police protection; two federal cabinet ministers admitting they accepted campaign donations — one minister has since returned the money — from a union under police investigation.

This scenario — reminiscent of a 1930 Hollywood epic on Tammany Hall — started when Dr. Morton Shulman, an NDP member of the Ontario legislature, asked

for an inquiry into the Seafarers International Union which he accused of bribing Liberal officials and public servants and running union affairs in a manner which terrorized its membership. Now Shulman has read statements into the Ontario Hansard which quote the SIU president as having told police officers last September they could do nothing to him because he had a senior cabinet minister in his pocket.

There is nothing illegal or even

Give Street Hawkers A Chance

What motivated Victoria city council to set a prohibitively high trades licence of \$700 a year for street hawkers who wish to sell beads and candles on the sidewalks is difficult to determine, as the decision was taken at one of its frequent secret sessions. Interested observers have no way of knowing what arguments and information too hot for the public to handle were presented.

Yet we see the result — a proposed \$200 fee, high enough, in the draft licence bylaw hiked to the maximum allowable — and the result seems the equivalent of using a shotgun to kill a mosquito. It's hard to see the threat to the peace, order and good government of the city posed by a few street hawkers.

No, the reason for council's rather heavy-handed action seems to be a simple desire for neat and tidy streets and sidewalks, and

street hawkers don't fit in. Allow one to set up shop and you'd have to allow a hundred. Council seems to fear the day when Government and Douglas streets from city hall to the legislative buildings, will be jammed shoulder to shoulder with pitchmen hawking belts and homemade jewelry.

There's no reason such a nightmare should ever materialize. Between council's punitive policy and unrestricted proliferation, there should be a compromise. Follow Vancouver's lead. It allows street hawkers on its new downtown Granville Mall, but only a total of 30, and they must pay \$200 for a licence and build a semi-permanent stall.

Such stalls co-exist with glossy jewelry and department stores. The idea deserves a fairer trial than the one granted so far by city council.

shady in elected officials accepting campaign funds from unions or corporations under our imperfect system, as Solicitor-General Warren Allmand, one of the recipients pointed out. But for Labor Minister John Munro to accept a donation, even though he subsequently returned it, is compromising. The minister responsible for union affairs has no business accepting funds from any union.

Yet Shulman's charges are

serious. He has used the word bribery and implied influence peddling charges without naming names, in order to protect himself from legal action. But the fact that the union is under the impression that it is immune from the law because of political connections (if Shulman is correct), shows a dangerous complacency that needs investigating.

An immediate and thorough inquiry should be made into Shulman's charges. The NDP member's accusations cast a pall over the entire federal cabinet and the SIU. It is odd that Shulman needs police protection because of his charges made in the legislature. It is odd that a union is handing out money to Liberal cabinet ministers, and it is odd how slowly the Liberal administration is moving on the issue, considering the daily drumming it receives from the opposition. It is time to even the odds as too many reputations and the integrity of the federal cabinet are at stake.



LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Cumberland House

Thank you very much for mailing the Times over to me. I was interested in the article re the progress of Cumberland House. My husband was a sergeant in the RCMP and we were the first white couple to be married in the little Anglican church on the Indian reserve in Cumberland House in 1914, and by the Reverend Settee, so was quite interested in the write-up which my daughter mailed over for me to read. She wanted it back so I asked her to try and get me a copy.

When we were in Cumberland House, we had to travel by a steamer from the Pas, Man. — 100 miles up the Big Stone River. Captain Ross who ran the boats came up once a week and at that time we had just a trail through the wood. The French Company Revlon Frères was on one side of the trail and Hudson's Bay Company where the RCMP office was, on the other side. It would be quite interesting to make a trip up there now to see all these changes. I understand there is now a road through to Cumberland

House from Prince Albert, Sask. We were stationed in Prince Albert for many years. My husband retired from Prince Albert and we came out to Victoria and made our home at Cordova Bay. That also is changed since we lived there in 1936, but Victoria still retains her charm and beauty, not yet spoiled by these hideous highrises. I hope she never will be again. — Mrs. J. S. Wood, Vancouver.

Basic Freedoms

During the past two years of NDP administration, we have seen various bills passed such as ICBC, and the mineral royalty act, which remove some of our basic freedoms of choice. The most atrocious bill is the Natural Products Marketing Act (Bill 165) which was passed during the fall session. Under this bill a marketing board will be set up to regulate all natural products, including all products of agriculture, the forest, sea, lake or river and any product manufactured wholly or partly from these natural products.

Under section 17 of the bill, an agent of the board may search and seize a

farmer's product, truck or property without a warrant, if the agent feels the farmer is not complying with the board's rules. This gives the farmer less rights than the lowest criminal.

This bill is not what one would expect to find in Canada or any other democratic country. I am quite surprised that the public was not made aware of it. The loss of freedom by any social class is important to every Canadian and especially to those living in British Columbia. Every session of the house we lose more and more of our basic freedoms. Where will it all end? — Dennis Dorosz, 333 Biscoe Drive.

Court Decision

I was most interested to read about the tube litigation (a CP story Nov. 29) which the Alberta doctor had rejected. No wonder he rejected it. I can't imagine that taking fallopian tubes to court would be very effective sterilization. But the story fails to mention why he also apparently rejects tubal ligation. — Maryellen Vicars, 214 Russell Street.

Quebec Liberals—'Nobody Seems to Know What's Happening'

By ROB BULL



Liberals led by Premier Bourassa are unhappy

QUEBEC—A little more than a year ago Premier Robert Bourassa's Liberals swept back into power in Quebec with one of the greatest legislative majorities this province has ever seen, but at the party's 18th convention last week it was obvious that a great many things had gone wrong.

There was the case of the vanishing English, for example, and the contractors who did not know who to see and the lady who could not get in.

The lady was Suzanne Blouin-Rafie, an educational development officer in the arts for the department of education, a text-book author and artist herself, who heard the party was to study cultural policy at the convention and thought she would like to observe the process.

Beneath a poster with an enormous hand whose finger pointed out and said "Quebec is you," a party official stood and asked for all her identification. She gave it to him along with the telephone numbers of some references. She had to tell him the name of her riding and her member in the national assembly.

She admitted she was not a party member and in fact had never belonged to any party. She just wanted to observe, she said.

There was a huddle of officials and they decided not to let her in. They could not be too careful, they said. There were too many people who might disrupt the meeting for political reasons. The party was afraid, in fact, of a slight Quebecoise who wanted to watch what was going on.

The next night, Saturday, two contractors were muttering over drinks in the caucus bar of the Quebec Hilton Hotel, three floors above the convention hall.

"It used to be," one of them said, "that you joined the party and played the game by the rules. But times have changed. The party doesn't know what's happening."

"In the old days patronage used to be distributed one-third by the premier's office, one-third by the members and one-third by the party. It still goes on but now nobody seems to know what's happening."

The vanishing English were simply that. In past conventions non-French-Canadian delegates made up about a quarter of the total attendance at Quebec

convention with Canada, and the Parti Québécois' position of Quebec political independence and economic association with Canada.

There was concern about the public statements of some Liberal members of the Quebec national assembly to the effect that if the English did not like the language law they could always vote for the separatists.

"A great big political vacuum has been created here," one English-speaking delegate said. "We have a choice to stay away at voting time or find something to fill that vacuum. My feeling is that it will be filled."

Some French-Canadian delegates thought the provincial civil service was full of Parti Québécois supporters and others said that the English minority was getting its just desserts but that federal Quebec Liberals were an arrogant menace to the future peace and stability of Quebec.

The new president, Claude Desrosiers, told newsmen that perhaps one of the party's greatest weaknesses had been its public show in the past of unquestioning support for the government and that he would try to open up debates in the party's policy commission so the public could see that the party is concerned with the problems of the day.

At least one delegate complained that Liberal members in the provincial house were little more than "voting machines." Many were upset that all but one of the new members of the party's executive were appointed by acclamation.

Supporters of different cabinet ministers quarrelled in workshop discussions.

The party's political commission watched a resolution on no-fault auto-insurance (drafted after a provincial inquiry, months of study and with the per-

sonal support of Financial Institutions Minister William Tetley) get ripped to shreds on the convention floor by a lobby of lawyers and insurance brokers.

The delegates didn't really understand what the resolution was trying to do," one of its supporters commented. Another resolution which would have meant government control of the press had to be fought by Justice Minister Jerome Choquette.

In the background to all this activity has been a series of scandals in the last year — one involving the premier's family; another, violations of the electoral act by a back-bencher who resigned his seat, fought a byelection and lost; yet another resulting in a secret inquiry on municipal corruption which has already implicated another Liberal back-bencher. There have also been suggestions by a provincial inquiry of improper collusion with a labor union in return for favors at the polls. Concern has been expressed over the now-tripled costs of the James Bay hydro project and the language act which has upset Quebecers of many stripes and hues.

A recent survey showed that Liberal support has dropped and that nearly half of Quebecers question the integrity of their elected representatives.

This is not the party of happy and enlightened men and women who helped bring about the monumental quiet revolution of the early 1960s.

Throughout the convention, however, Bourassa was cool and confident either when attacking his enemies and praising his economic achievements from the rostrum in front of a large projected picture of himself or when attempting to explain to an impatient newsmen that he really had been responsible for a lowering of the Quebec unemployment rate.

He was particularly proud of the James Bay project which he noted would be coming on stream with electricity at

about the time conventional western oil reserves run out. He promised to strengthen Quebec's sovereignty when he visited Paris.

But his confidence did not seem to rub off on too many of the delegates. He and his fellow Liberal party members have got a lot of extra work to do before the next provincial elections in three years' time.

They won their massive 1973 election victory by campaigning on the fear of an independent Quebec. Perhaps the Liberals have developed some fears of their own.

60 YEARS AGO

From the Times of December 5, 1914

The council chamber at city hall was quite filled at the unemployment meeting last evening which had been called by the unemployed committee. There was a good deal said about the right to work and feeling was manifested that the authorities were doing so little to meet the demand. A resolution was passed: "This meeting of citizens of Victoria recommends, with a view to alleviating the severity of the distress from unemployment: that the mayor issue an appeal to the citizens for funds, food or clothing, that a committee composed of citizens and members of the trades and labor council, city council and kindred organizations be formed to distribute the funds."

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What Are You Doin' Mr. McLuhan?

By JUNE CALLWOOD
The Globe and Mail

He's in the heavyweight class among the world's intellectuals. His comprehension of the contemporary has enshrined him in graffiti and Academe as the media philosopher who rides point for his era.

Marshall McLuhan's flights of thought are at the as-tral level of free association. He puts many of his theories together by a process of intuitive bonds in the uncharted galaxy of his cerebrum. Not uncommonly his concepts suffer distortion when professors and ad agency executives with Icarus fantasies attempt to explain him. When they have finished scaling him down to their own image, they sometimes pronounce him puny.

He is humanly dismayed but not deterred when this happens. He says that what is unique about him is that he studies communication as transformation rather than transportation. In McLuhan terms, for instance, the old Roman Catholic catechism was transportation: it moved information from print to memory banks without causing a disturbance in the reader. Pope John's Vatican II documents, however, are transformation. Those who absorbed them were changed.

Marshall McLuhan's mother was also in the transformation line of work, an elocutionist of such ferocious talent that she was famous in her day as a one-woman theatre. A college-educated Maritimer, proud of her elevated taste and breeding, she made an odd marriage when she was 19 with a rough-mannered insurance salesman ten years her senior. The dominant theme of their union was her non-stop denunciation of his boorishness.

"I grew up with their antagonism," McLuhan recalls with tranquil detachment. "The house was full of vibrations." His mother, he says, was not a mothering person. "She was emotional, but not affectionate."

Their home in Winnipeg was full of performers, all going full tilt. A younger brother, now a United Church minister, was a natural showman with fiery red hair who lived at stage centre. Their father could fiddle and entertain. And the mother recited Browning and Milton at peak intensity while doing the housework.

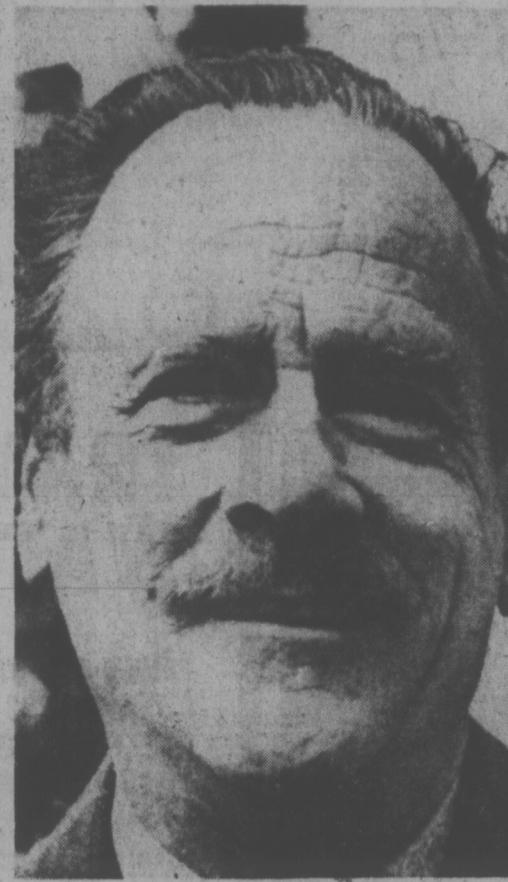
McLuhan is 63 and still cringes from noise. When he was a child he withdrew from the cacophony into solitary pursuits. "I was a loner, as I still am. A loner."

The Winnipeg school system had no inkling that it was witnessing genius: he was an indifferent student. "I never had a teacher who made me the slightest bit interested in anything I was studying," he shrugs.

In his final year of high school he discovered Thomas Babington Macaulay, a writer-of-Victorian resonance who appealed at once to his ornate mind. He was enthralled and began to perk up. College was even better and he went on to Cambridge.

In England he wrote home nearly every day, not out of loneliness but because he had to spill over some of the stimulation of his environment. "I have never been lonely in my life for one minute," he says, astonished by the suggestion.

He became a Roman Catholic when he was 26 years old. Since both parents were staunch, unrestrained anti-Catholics, he had known almost no Catholics. "It was a



MARSHALL MCULUHAN . . . ever the loner

long pilgrimage," he reflects, "a solitary one done entirely by reading." His quest was begun on behalf of the question which confronts eternity: Who am I? He says he was curious about his relationship to the Being that had created him.

His faith produces in him transformation, the alchemy which is the core of his life's work. Belief in God alters existence, he feels, making it mystical and converting a public uninspired human into something lyrically super-human.

Seven years ago he underwent the longest operation in medical history: twenty-two and a half hours on the table while calcium deposits were scraped with infinite care from his valuable brain. He faced the ordeal without a qualm or doubt. Afterwards there were months of sickening pain, which he ascribes to nature's debt-collecting for the blessed oblivion of the anaesthetic, and the loss of all memory of the year previous to the surgery.

"Gone, the whole year, gone," he says nonchalantly.

He has a neutral, spectator tone when describing himself. "I'm not very good at projection toward people or allowing them to project toward me," he comments with alert interest at the peculiarity. And when he referred to the fact that five of his six children have left the church he gave explanation: "They lost their identity" in a way that suggested mittens had been misplaced.

Identity loss, he adds, has happened to every child who watched television before becoming soundly literate. "A whole generation has been scrubbed right off," he says. He believes that television for the unready is a psychic disaster comparable to giving rum to primitives. It transforms. And transformation is McLuhan territory.

Writin' and Shovellin'

By STANLEY REYNOLDS
Manchester Guardian

I don't know about anyone else but from now on I'm going to take a deep breath, shut my eyes tight and scoot right by the book review sections. That way I may be spared the dreambursting facts like the one which hit me this week in the Times. I mean, how can things ever be the same since I found out that William Faulkner didn't actually write "As I Lay Dying" while shoveling coal on the night shift at a power station in Oxford, Mississippi?

Here I have been going along for 10 years now gazing out of my study windows in Liverpool, sighing great sighs of despair. I'd be just about ready to pull the page out of the typewriter, fashion Chapter 12 ("In 19—Prince Y. found himself in the city of K—— in the company of Princess Z.") into a paper aeroplane and send it flying out of the window to join the autumn leaves and Chapter 11 ("In Y—— Street in F—— J. met T. at Prince S.'s house") when I'd say to myself:

"Steady on, Stan baby." I'd say. "think of old Faulkner down there in Oxford, Mississippi in all the heat of the dusty ole south land wit the darkies singin' in the moonlight, a coal shovel in one hand and an Underwood in the other. Get a grip on yourself, Stan—better still, get a grip and a suitcase, there's an out-of-town bus leaving at 10 o'clock."

The thought of Faulkner shovelling and writing, writin' an' shovellin' has been a constant source of inspiration to me, man and boy, these many years; or, at least, it has been something to think about on days when I tire of lounging around eating chocolate bon bons and reading back copies of the New Yorker.

More Than You Need

But now along comes someone called Joseph Blotner and he says it just ain't so. In a two-volume biography which costs 12 pounds and contains just everything you were always dying to know about Billy Faulkner and about a volume and a quarter's worth of stuff you should, could have well done without. Blotner says Faulkner did not shovel coal and write "As I Lay Dying" all at the same time.

Faulkner was there in the power station all right; he wasn't that much of a phonny. But Blotner says he didn't do any of your actual shovelling. The shovelling was done by two other guys and Faulkner just sort of stood around and watched them and wrote "As I Lay Dying."

Ever since I gleaned this information I have been doing very little else but daydream, about old Faulkner down there at night in the power station. He is sitting there writing while the other two shovel. The great boiler door is opened wide and the walls dance with the reflection of flames. Blotner evidently considers this a pretty nifty

piece of literary 'tec work, this business about Faulkner never having shovelled any coal. But writing at night in a power station while two fellows are making a lot of noise shovelling, probably banging about more than they have to really and shooting you dirty looks because you are sitting there scribbling, it's no nine-covered cottage in the Cottswolds. And while we're at it, where did Blotner write his book, eh? I'll bet if wasn't in his father-in-law's wholesale warehouse in Scranton, Pa.

Perhaps the secret of Faulkner's long and involved sentences, his complete disregard for syntax, and his general lack of punctuation sprang simply from the fact that it is pretty dark on the night shift down there in the boiler room, and he couldn't see where one sentence ended and another began. Faulkner thought syntax was something you paid in the brothels in New Orleans.

A little further on in Blotner's biography — well, it is not a little, it is about 600 pages on — he seems to have a switch in values and gets pretty gushy about the way Faulkner managed to bong out his Nobel Prize acceptance

speech while flying to Sweden aboard a SAS DC 6 jet. But a jet would be a hook-lined study to a fellow brought up in a boiler room.

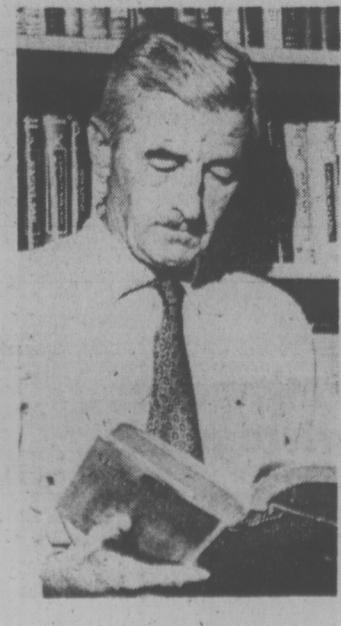
At the same time Blotner is hard on Faulkner for his famous neologisms. Words like "abnegant," "dismatchment," "abashless," "succubence" and "diminishment" used to slip from Faulkner's pen, but then when with all the noise in the power station it would be a wonder if Faulkner could hear himself shout.

Come to think of it; Shakespeare used to come out with some strange words every now and again and sometimes even forgot how to spell his own name. Of course he had it tough too, just like Faulkner. He wrote some of that early stuff while holding horses outside a theatre, didn't he? Or did he? I suppose if we get Blotner on the job we'd first find out it was Bacon who held the horse.

Anyway, these image puncturing biographies should get banned by law. Carlos Baker, for example, a couple of years ago informed us that Ernest Hemingway used to get money from home and never boxed professionally in his life. Then someone did a job on poor Brendon Behan and T. S. Matthews did a lid lift on T. S. Eliot and so any day now I expect to read how Vladimir Nabokov is really just a fellow from Barnes' name of Fred Brooks whose mother was a chambermaid at the Strand Palace and that Franz Kafka is alive and well and writing "I Love Lucy" shows in Hollywood.

Books Without Jam

Wonders never cease. The other day I asked who ever manages to get a brand new, unread, virginal, jam-stain-free copy of a book out of a public library. The post brought a letter from a Mr. Jones of South View Drive, Witton Court, Rumney, Cardiff, informing me that his old dad is always getting new books out of the Cardiff Library. It does not matter to Mr. Jones senior what the subject matter of the book is, so long as it is a brand new never-before-read copy. "He'll come home with something on travel," writes Jones the younger, "then something on Do-It-Yourself, then something on philosophy." Mr. Jones informs me, "Until last week I had never found a new book in a library" but then, he says, he found one. Presumably he is now going to follow in his father's footsteps. Could it possibly be that all over England and Wales, and Scotland too, no doubt, folk like the Joneses senior and junior are to be found whose hobby it is to scour public libraries looking for new editions to take home and spread with jam and marmalade? What has Freud to say about this? And could Great Britain really be past it if it still contains men like the marvelous senior Jones of Rumney, Cardiff?



FAULKNER . . . what's syntax?

How the West Broke the Code But Didn't Tell the Russians

By CHESTER COOPER and DANIEL DAVIDSON
The Washington Post

The most important — and the most disturbing — secret of World War II has recently been disclosed. In "The Ultra Secret," Group Captain F. W. Winterbotham reveals that the British broke the German secret radio code. Well before America's entry into the war and continuing until V-E Day, messages between the Nazi High Command and German field generals were deciphered by the British within hours; often within minutes of their dispatch.

"Ultra" played a vital role in every major Anglo-American military campaign against the Germans. Winterbotham maintains that without information from "Ultra" that the German army was cracking, British and American forces would have moved eastward much more cautiously and would have joined the Russians at the Rhine rather than at the Elbe. All of Germany would have been under Soviet control. Journalist Alfred Friendly, who was a member of the Ultra group, says flatly that Ultra "made victory possible by 1945."

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The tremendous strategic and tactical advantages accruing to British and American forces as a consequence of this historic intelligence breakthrough raises an ugly question: Why did not the Anglo-American Command share this information with the Soviet Union which, after all, was engaging the bulk of the German forces? Conceivably, if the information had been shared, the war could have been concluded even sooner than the spring of 1945, thus saving millions of lives.

A school of historians, the "revisionists" has long claimed that the Western Allies pursued a peripheral strategy — North Africa, Sicily, Italy — instead of mounting an early frontal assault on Normandy, in part at least, to exhaust the Russians. They will surely now claim that failure to share "Ultra" with Moscow proves their point.

But before they seize their pens, they might do well to ponder a less sinister, more plausible explanation. Communication intelligence is the crown jewel in the vaults of every spy establishment — a psychic disaster comparable to giving rum to primitives. It transforms. And transformation is McLuhan territory.

Many CIA, MI-6 or Deuxieme ability to anticipate future grave threats to its national survival could be jeopardized. There is also the awful possibility that the information might be "turned": that the code's antagonist knows you know will be used for false information, while a new and unbroken code will be employed for his true communications.

The extent to which nations will go to conceal their

possession of Communications Intelligence is illustrated by Washington's actions early in the Vietnamese war. As the Pentagon Papers reveal, the Johnson administration could have used communications intelligence to prove to a skeptical public that Hanoi had indeed ordered attacks on the American destroyers in the Tonkin Gulf during the summer of 1964. But the information was too precious to be used for such a purpose. And in February 1965, President Johnson, despairing at the unwillingness of an articulate sector of American opinion to recognize Hanoi's deep involvement in the command and support of the Viet Cong in the South, ordered the evidence of this involvement to be published. The authors of the resulting white paper could have documented the administration's claim, convincingly but only by the use of communications intelligence. As a consequence, they produced a thin and unconvincing document that served only to widen the administration's credibility gap.

Ultra was of immeasurable greater value to the British than our communications intelligence was in Vietnam. The issue was not credibility. It was survival. This source had to be preserved for the gravest possible threats — for example, an attempted invasion of England, itself. Thus, the British knew in advance of Goering's orders to the Luftwaffe when Coventry was targeted, but the population was not given warning to evacuate.

When Oxford was on the target list, the Oxoniens among the code-breakers made a sentimental pilgrimage to see the old Colleges, perhaps for the last time, but no special warnings were given to the Air Defense Command. The beloved actor Leslie Howard was sent on a secret mission in an unarmed, unescorted plane even though the British apparently knew the Germans were going to intercept his aircraft.

did Moscow know about German plans and intentions which it did not choose to share with London and Washington?

One can speculate, but having allowed publication of the details of Ultra, the British have opened a Pandora's box. We know both too much and too little. To stop a flood of unhealthy suspicion and a torrent of recrimination, London must now tell us more.

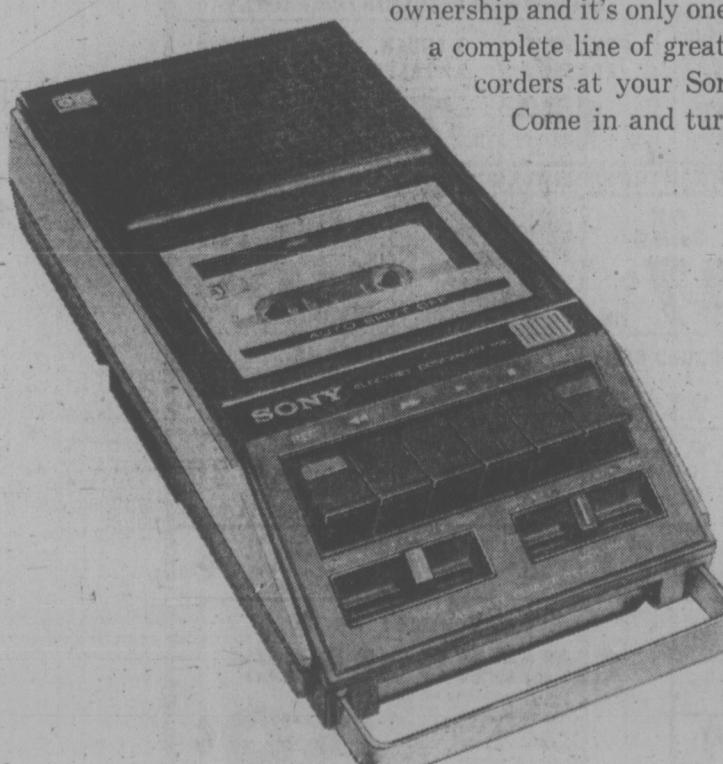
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B.C. Delinquency Down 13%

VANCOUVER (CP) — Juvenile delinquency in British Columbia dropped 13 per cent last year, a report released Wednesday by Statistics Canada says.

The report says 3,320 young persons, 17 and younger, were brought before the courts and found to be delinquent in 1973, compared with 3,830 in 1972.

The figure shows that seven-tenths of one per cent of the province's 470,000 youngsters between 7 and 17 were formally charged.

Statistics Canada says its tally does not include cases adjudicated with no charges laid.

John Hogarth, head of the B.C. Police Commission, said the lower figure for delinquency is the result of two trends: the number of children in the age group has declined with the passing of the baby boom of the 1950s and 60s, and fewer children are being brought to court because police are "dealing with children in the community."

The Statistics Canada report says juvenile violations of the Criminal Code of Canada dropped to 2,423 in 1973 from 2,936 in 1972.

Violations of other federal statutes by B.C. Juveniles dropped to 365 from 381 but offences against the federal narcotics control act rose to 233 from 200 in B.C.

Offences involving British Columbia laws increased to 486 in 1973 from 469 in 1972.

For Canada as a whole, the report says the number of juveniles charged with crimes rose to 44,151 in 1973 from 42,183 in 1972.

In 1,727 of the 3,320 cases in British Columbia, the young offender was placed on probation by the court. In 675 cases, a suspended sentence was imposed. A variety of other dispositions were involved in other cases.

The number of delinquents increased with age. A total of 338 were 12 or less, 223 were 13, 563 were 14, 924 were 15 and 1,495 were 16 and 17.

B.C. ANTI-BOATER?

VANCOUVER (CP) — There is "a fair amount of prejudice" on the part of the British Columbia government regarding marinas and boat owners, North Vancouver Seymour NDP MLA Colin Gabelmann says.

"There is an old CCF-NDP blindness that only fat cats own boats," Gabelmann said.

The MLA made his remarks at a meeting called by boat

owners currently docked in the area of a proposed ferry bus transit terminal on the North Vancouver waterfront.

The boat owners fear they will have nowhere to go when the government builds the terminal, and say there is room for a marina at the waterfront, as well.

Gabelmann said he was sympathetic to the boat owners but he didn't know exactly where the proposed ferry slip would be built. The government is considering a total transportation centre for the area, he said, including a B.C. Railway terminal for a ski train to Whistler Mountain and rapid transit between North and West Vancouver.

He told about 20 boat

owners he would express concern over private moorage shortages to Public Works Minister Bill Hartley.

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A-G Raps Landlord Strategy

Landlords who hold vacant apartments off the market will only be harming their own case, Attorney-General Alex Macdonald said Wednesday.

"I didn't realize they were so well off they could afford to allow vacant suites to remain in their buildings," he said.

"I don't think that's the best way for them to make their case for higher rents."

But the attorney-general said he did not believe landlords will be withholding suites as a means of striking "in any large scale way."

"Really they would be flying the flag saying that the revenue of the apartment is adequate without these suites," he added.

Landlords have threatened to keep vacant suites off the market as a way of protesting the government's new 10.6 per cent limit on rent increases.

Meanwhile, a rental housing council of British Columbia spokesman said Wednesday that many landlords have lost up to three months' rent increases because the provincial rent review commission mailed out official increase notice forms too late.

The deadline was Nov. 30 to take advantage of special short notice allowances for rent increases beginning Jan. 1 and Feb. 1, 1975, but most landlords didn't receive the notice forms until this week, council executive director Richard Dolman said.

"I'm not sure how many apartment owners have been affected by this," Dolman said.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Eighty pounds of undiluted Bangkok heroin was sold to a Vancouver man during a six-month period for \$200,000, says an affidavit accepted Wednesday as evidence in an extradition hearing.

The affidavit says the heroin reached Vancouver in five shipments of about 16 pounds each between March 1 and July 19, 1972, and was sold mostly in one-pound lots to Bing Hin Low, 39.

The affidavit is one of three signed by confessed major heroin traffickers in the alleged Bangkok Connection conspiracy, and accepted by Mr. Justice H. C. McKay as evidence at the extradition hearing of six Vancouver-area men.

The United States' government is seeking to extradite the six — including Bing — to stand trial in New York on charges of conspiring to import and export and distribute more than 200 pounds of heroin from Bangkok.

Those charged in addition to Bing are: Li Chi Ying, alias Robert Li; Wong Shun Teen, alias Tony Wong; Paul Jang, alias Communist Pui; 41; Foon Choy Leong, alias Victor Leong, and Johnny Chau, 31.

The other two are signed by what the indictment calls North American receivers of heroin — Lam Kin Sang and Sze Chun Kam.

All three are named in the indictment as co-conspirators. Lam is in prison serving 15 years for drug trafficking while Wong Shing Kong and Sze live in Hong Kong.

The hearing continues.

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Picketers Picketed by Wives

VANCOUVER (CP) — Three women, angered because their husbands have been thrown out of work by the boilermakers' strike here, began picketing Wednesday on a sidewalk in front of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Lodge 339, office.

Carrying signs wishing the boilermakers a Merry Christmas, the women set up the picket line at 8:30 a.m. and stated they intend to picket until a "logical settlement is reached."

Their husbands, who are heavy construction workers, receive \$75 a week strike pay. The boilermakers are the only one of 18 construction unions which failed to get a new agreement with the Construction Labor Relations Association last summer.

They went on strike Nov. 18 and set up pickets Nov. 25, throwing about 700 construction workers out of work.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Members of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 213, have voted to pay their Canadian Labor Congress dues directly to the CLC instead of routing them through the union's international headquarters in the United States.

Local 213 business agent Cliff Rundgren disclosed the move at a meeting of the Vancouver and District Labor Council, where delegates bitterly attacked the refusal of most international building trades unions to pay their required per capita dues to the CLC.

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Greater Vancouver Regional District executive says that a partial night curfew of airplane takeoffs and landings and other steps to reduce noise originating at Vancouver International Airport should be implemented immediately.

The executive, in a closed meeting Wednesday with the GVRD's planning committee, voted to institute what one board member called a moratorium on airport expansion until studies are completed.

VERNON (CP) — British Columbia Supreme Court Jus-

tice Sam Toy Wednesday ordered a stay of proceedings against five Lumby men facing a rape charge here because of the non-appearance of one of the defence lawyers.

Lawyer Jack Davis, representing Ronald Irmen, had not appeared for two days and Irmen had had no contact with him, the court was told.

Mr. Justice Toy said Irmen could not be properly represented without a lawyer.

"I have not, in my experience before the criminal bar, seen such a marked departure from what I consider to be appropriate conduct on behalf of defence counsel," the judge said.

He was arrested following attacks on hitch-hikers in the lower Fraser Valley dating back two years.

VANCOUVER (CP) — A 13-year-old Vancouver boy, charged in connection with Monday's fatal shooting of a Woodward's Store maintenance man, will appear in juvenile court here Dec. 11, senior family court prosecutor Collin Sweeney said Wednesday.

A British Columbia Supreme Court jury earlier found him not guilty of a fourth charge of rape after six hours of deliberation.

VANCOUVER (CP) — Roland Fallon of Tsawwassen and his three sons were awarded \$95,000 in damages Wednesday in British Columbia Supreme Court as the result of a fatal accident Feb. 5, 1972, on a snow-covered road near Prince George.

His wife, Evelyn May Fallon, 41, was killed when her car collided with a heavily-loaded tractor-trailer driven by George Dyer on Highway 16.

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — Donald Robert Clark, 39, of Whonnock was sentenced Wednesday to 10 years and six months on three charges of rape.

He was arrested following attacks on hitch-hikers in the lower Fraser Valley dating back two years.

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BCR Pickets Extend Lines

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — The operation of more than 20 businesses was hampered Wednesday when striking British Columbia Railway shopcraft workers here extended picket lines to include the entire B.C. Rail industrial site.

The firms are seeking a B.C. supreme court injunction to halt the pickets but the earliest hearing date is Friday.

Spokesmen for the various heavy equipment, contracting, wholesale supply and sawmilling firms on the site said about 300 union employees refused to cross the picket lines. Union truck drivers also refused to cross the lines which have been set up at each road entrance to the site.

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Bell Knit Industries Ltd., nine months ended Sept. 30, 1974, \$37,000, no share figures available. 1973, \$34,000, no per share figures available.

Brascan Ltd., nine months ended Sept. 30, 1974, \$69,000, no funds, \$3.17 cents a share; 1973, \$25,000, no profit, no per share figures available.

Canadian Canadian Ltd., Interim, nine months ended Sept. 30, 1974, \$10,247, 5.3 cents a share; 1973, \$10,247, 5.3 cents a share.

Canadian Reserve Oil and Gas Ltd., nine months ended Sept. 30, 1974, \$17,517,000, 12 cents a share; 1973, \$17,70,000, 12 cents a share.

Copper of Canada Ltd., nine months ended Sept. 30, 1974, \$438,873, 30.44 cents a share; 1973, \$311,723, 30.44 cents a share.

Crown Industries Ltd., nine months ended Sept. 30, 1974, \$516,000, loss, no per share figures available.

Davis Distributing Ltd., year ended June 30, 1974, \$44,000, 8.9 cents a share; 1973, \$36,200, 8.2 cents a share.

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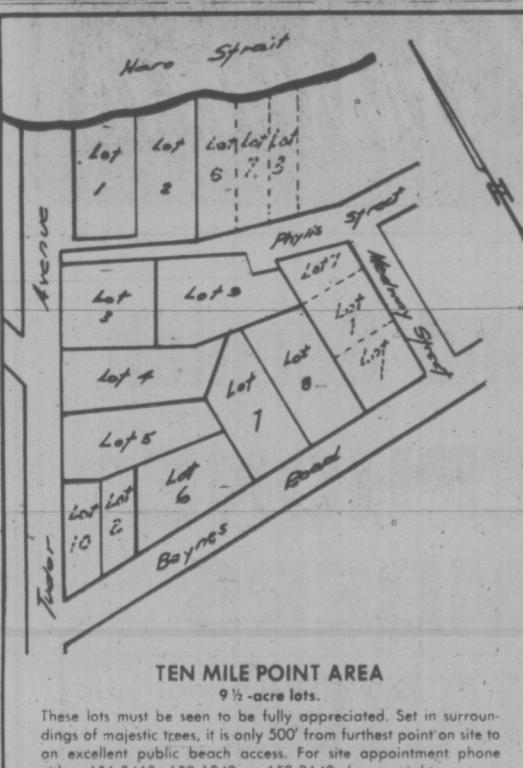
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U.S. COAL CONTRACT APPROVED

WASHINGTON (AP) — Striking coal miners have approved a new contract by a margin of around 57 per cent, clearing the way to a reopening of some mines in the United States as early as next week.

United Mine Workers President Arnold Miller planned to sign the three-year agreement today with the Bituminous Coal Operators Association after announcing the official results of the ratification vote.

The new contract will become effective at 12:01 a.m. Friday. Although most of the 120,000 striking UMW members are not expected back to work before Monday, industry officials say some miners may begin work Friday or Saturday.

The strike forced the closing 24 days ago of mines producing 70 per cent of U.S. coal and idled more than 25,000 workers in the coal-related steel and railroad industries. However, government forecasts of up to 400,000 layoffs never materialized.

It was the first contract ratification by rank-and-file union vote in the UMW's 84-year history. In the past, only union leaders approved contracts.

Drug Sellers Return as Heroes

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Police complained today that most of the more than 140 high school drug sellers they arrested were back on campus within a day as heroes, boasting and joking and exposing the youthful-looking officers who caught them.

One undercover police "student" was assaulted by the alleged dealer he arrested the day before, police said.

"We are shocked," said Police Cmdr. Peter Hagan. He said probation officials had failed to keep an agreement to keep the teen-age drug sellers behind bars until they can be expelled, but a probation department official denied it.

"School officials are livid with rage," Hagan said. "Students arrested for pushing drugs have returned to school laughing it up, thinking it was a big joke and becoming heroes on campus."

The students were arrested on identification by 11 officers who looked youthful enough to pass for high school students themselves.

The officers, some of them recruits picked from the police academy, attended 24 high schools throughout the Los Angeles area since September, going to classes, taking part in extracurricular activities and intramural sports and blending in with the students to identify drug dealers.

Nearly 100 of those arrested Tuesday were back in school Wednesday, Hagan complained.

An undercover officer still working at Palisades High School was jumped by a student he had arrested the previous day, police said. The student was rearrested for assaulting an officer.

Lt. Dan Cooke said police had warned juvenile officials of the massive sweep so they could prepare for the influx of teen-age prisoners, and there

was an "understanding" that they would be held for at least three days.

School officials said it takes that long for the student's

arrest record to reach his school principal, as required by state law before the student can be expelled.

Assistant probation officer Gordon Pedersen said "By law, we can't make that kind of an agreement . . . we must release the minor unless the criteria (for detention) are met."

He noted that "a lot of these kids did not have prior arrest records and were not known to the juvenile court or probation officers."

Contract Won

MONTREAL (CP) — Canadian Vickers Ltd. announced Wednesday it has been awarded a \$14 million contract by the federal department of service and supply to refit four Canadian Armed Forces fleet destroyers. The first ship docked at Vickers' yard Wednesday while the others will arrive at three-month intervals. All will be back in service by December, 1975.

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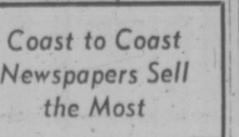
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Bucyk Ignites Rally

By The Canadian Press

With just over six minutes to go in the third period, it appeared Montreal Canadiens were well on their way Wednesday night to their second win of the 1974-75 National Hockey League season over Boston Bruins.

Then Doug Risebrough was called for face-off interference and five seconds after he went off, John Bucyk scored his first of two goals to reduce Montreal's lead to 4-2 with 5:59 remaining.

With less than two minutes remaining, Carol Vadnais and Bucyk scored in an 18-second span and the Bruins had a 4-4 tie instead of their seventh loss of the year.

In other action, New York Rangers downed Detroit Red

Wings 4-2, Pittsburgh Penguins came from behind to defeat Toronto Maple Leafs 4-2, Chicago Black Hawks outscored Kansas City Scouts 7-3, Los Angeles Kings downed Minnesota North Stars 4-1 and California Seals defeated Atlanta Flames 3-1.

Bruins coach Don Cherry was jubilant with the Boston comeback and five seconds after he went off, John Bucyk scored his first of two goals to reduce Montreal's lead to 4-2 with 5:59 remaining.

At New York, rookie Rick Middleton celebrated his 21st birthday by scoring his 13th goal of the year to start a three-goal rally in the second period that carried the Black Hawks.

Jean Ratelle, Peter Stempowski and Deric Sanderson got the other Rangers goal with Nick Libett and Marcel Dionne replying for Detroit.

Third-period goals by Nels DeBenedet, Chuck Arnason and Vic Hadfield gave the Penguins their comeback win over the Maple Leafs.

DeBenedet tied the game with 18 seconds gone in the final session and Arnason got what proved to be the game winner 11 minutes later.

Two goals by Jim Pappin keyed a six-goal outburst in the first period that carried Chicago past Kansas City. Darryl Rota also scored twice for the Black Hawks.

Mike Murphy, Bob Murdoch and Bob Nevin scored in the

third period for the Kings to break up a tight defensive battle against the North Stars.

The victory left Los Angeles in sole possession of first place in the Norris Division with 35 points, one more than second-place Montreal. The Kings have three games in hand.

Butch Williams scored twice to lead the Seals to their fifth win of the season before 2,913, the smallest crowd of this season at Oakland.

The Capitals, 2-20-3 in league play, have called up defenceman Murray Anderson from Richmond Robins, their farm team in the American Hockey League. The Caps sent centre Andre Peloff and defenceman Gordon Smith to Richmond.

'You Have to Rope in 10 To Win Anything at All'

This is partly about "short nines" and "long eights" and, if that doesn't get you, how about a man who didn't know enough to stay out of the rain and a horse that did?

So it's no secret and the subject is calf roping, just one of many events cowboys perform on the rodeo circuit each season.

But to Victoria's Bob Merluk, who might otherwise be recalled as a hockey-playing Cougar of a few years ago, "this is it; this is my life." Meanwhile, Bob is even now a hockey playing member of Stockers of the Big Six League.

But only for a short time, because, Bob is the city's one and only competing cowboy in calf roping and bulldogging and that's been his main avocation for four years now.

It all started when he was 15. That's when he began riding broncs in Oklahoma. Two years later, at the ripe old age of 17, he got thrown, rather violently, banged up both knees and, if that virtually ended his bronc riding, it also contributed to the decision not to pursue a hockey career. But Bob doesn't mind a bit. He is now on the road for eight or nine months each year, competes in every rodeo possible, shoes horses as a sideline (and to help pay the bills), a trade he learned in Denver, and his best paycheck ever was for "\$500 and change" for just 10.7 seconds work.

That was the elapsed time it took him to rope a calf in a rodeo at Leduc. His other best times are those "short nines" and "long eights" mentioned earlier while the world record is a startling 7.5 seconds and is shared by Junior Garrison of Oklahoma.

From Mexico the Fiesta

Calf roping has been described as a blur of a running calf pursued by a horseman and a rope striking the calf like a snake. A brief struggle ensues, then the animal is on its side, its rear legs tied to a front one and the rider is walking back to his horse.

The history of stampedes and rodeos begins in Mexico where the cattle industry developed some of the finest riders in the world. And when Mexican vaqueros were employed on the first Texas cattle ranches, they brought to early riding and roping contests a touch of the fiesta. The words, "lariat" and "rodeo" are of Spanish origin. Cash prizes were first given in cowboy contests at Pecos, Tex., in 1883 and the first indoor rodeo was held in Fort Worth, Tex., in 1917.

When Bob first started in the business, he practised roping a bale of hay, because "it's down where the calf is," he explained, and he didn't use a fence post as some might suspect because it was too high. "I would practise every day if I could, and rope about 20," he said, "because you have to rope in 10 to win anything at all on the circuit."

Bob has his own "arena," as he calls it, in Central Saanich. "It cost me \$1,200," he said. "I get lots of help," he added, "but always rope by myself." As it is, roping on the circuit isn't that lucrative, not yet, or unless you are first given in cowboy contests at Pecos, Tex., in 1883 and the first indoor rodeo was held in Fort Worth, Tex., in 1917.

Comparatively speaking he explained that Jimmy Gladstone, who is about 35 and has been Canadian champion for four years running, possibly hasn't got anything to show for it and I'm quite a ways behind him.

"I'm still a rookie, but every year I feel that I have roped that much better."

"To get anywhere at all, you have to win about \$20,000," he said. "The best is Tom Ferguson of Oklahoma who makes



about \$40,000, and the only way you can get to the national championships is to qualify in the top 20 on money earned."

It's even tougher now than before, said Bob, because most cowboys are specializing in one event or another and "there are a lot of cowboys going down the road."

If the added competition isn't bad enough, the finances kill you, he said. In most rodeos, and he tries to hit all stops across the prairies, northern B.C. and in the States, the usual entry fee for an event runs from \$15 to \$50, and the prize money from \$100 to \$500. Some more, some less.

A Good Horse Is Vital

And with 50 or more competitors, the chances aren't that great.

Rodeo riders don't consider their sport dangerous. "I've been banged up," he said, "but not too badly. A few broken ribs, those knees, a horse pawed me in the nose once and broke it; and this year was the first time we had a death on the circuit in Canada. A 19-year-old died in Cloverdale when a bull stepped on his head."

"But what's most important," he emphasized, "is a good horse. A horse can be 60 to 70 per cent of roping, and if you hear of a horse, anywhere, it nearly always pays to follow up the lead. And the older the horse often the better. I bulldogged this year on a horse that was 15 years old."

"It takes time to train one, too, so you're like a team," he added. "I sold one of mine last season for \$1,500, and I turned down \$3,000 for the bay I have now. But he's some horse, and I guess I hauled him about 12,000 miles last season. He almost seemed to know what to do, when the event was coming up. When it was over and when we were leaving. But he was quite a character, too."

"There was one day when it was raining so I pushed him into the trailer, to keep him dry and out of the rain until our turn came."

"Well, when it came time, I gave him a push to let him know it was time to go to work. But he wouldn't budge. He didn't want to come out. Finally a couple of us had to force him out, and we almost missed our turn — they don't give you much time, and if you're not ready, you don't go — and I didn't do very well that time. Boy, was I mad at him."

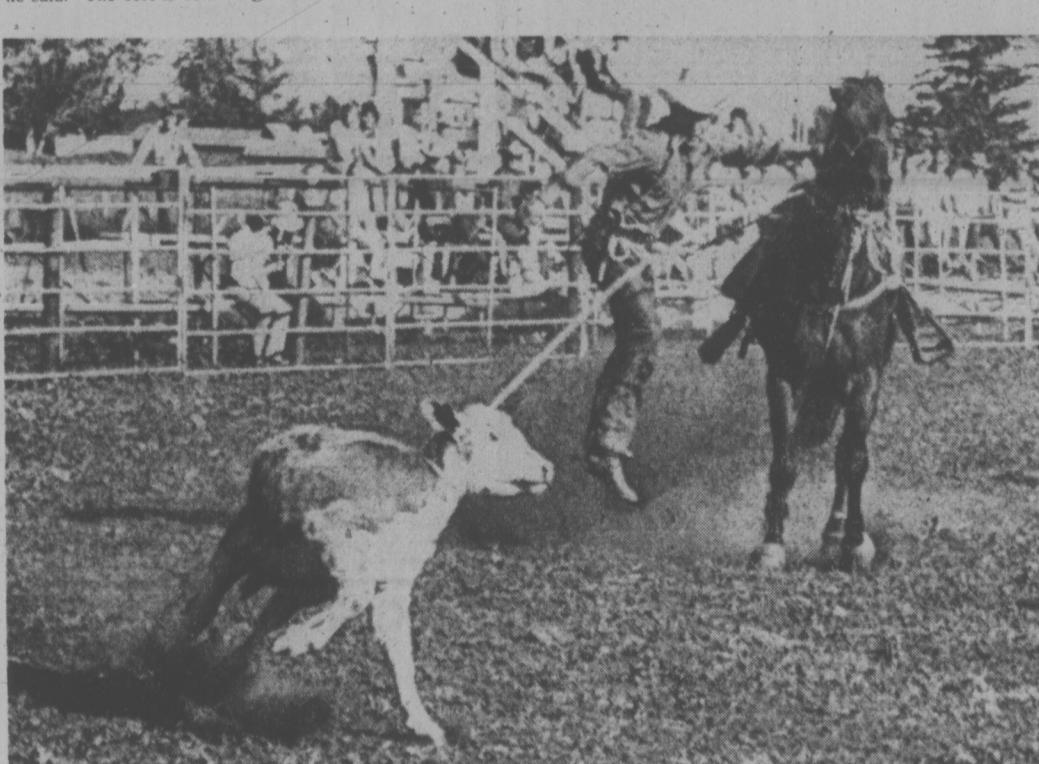
"He just didn't want to go out in the rain, that's all," he said.

"As to the future, Bob is just playing hockey here to keep in shape" and might even go to Phoenix in a week or so. He is undecided. "The season is over but they have a lot of jackpots down there," he explained. "Fifty cowboys might toss \$20 each in the pot and have three placings. So it's fun."

"And there's no hurry down the glory trail either."

"Most of the ropers don't start getting hot until they're 30 or 40," he said.

"And I'm only 23. I've got time."



Victoria's Bob Merluk ropes a calf in a rodeo at Carstairs, Alta.

Red Storey Joins All-Star Speakers

They nicknamed him "Red" and later one of the National Hockey League's best-known referees, Red Storey will be one of the keynote speakers at the Western Canada Hockey League's 20th annual All-Star game the following day.

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and the dinner will be held Jan. 13 at the Empress Hotel ballroom as a prelude to the WCHL's 20th annual All-Star game the following day.

Storey is the first of several

sports personalities invited to sit at the head table.

Always humorous, Storey can be controversial and is in demand as an after-dinner speaker.



AREA SPORTS

Mt. Doug Hosts Volleyball

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Rudyard Kipling Knew the Score

There is a lot of wisdom in the rain when Henry Martens hands you the old "triumph and disaster" bit.

Henry knows what Kipling was talking about in his immortal poem "IF," and last weekend, standing in the mud at White Rock's Crescent Park, he had a chance to "treat those two imposters just the same."

Martens watched with pride as his 18-year-old son John outclassed everyone in the field of 187 young athletes from all over the province to run away with the individual boys' title in the B.C. high school cross-country championships.

But only minutes before, Henry saw daughter Bev, bruised and black from the mud after slipping and falling heavily on the treacherous trails, struggle home in 17th place, well behind winner Sharon Young of Esquimalt.

Recovering from such a tumble to finish 17th in a field of 145 girls is pretty good but Bev was close to tears. She was second in the provincial meet last year and she was second two years ago. She had hoped this would be her big year. She was fifth and running smoothly when the fall put out her out of contention.

"But don't make too much of that," her father, who greeted both victorious and

CROSS-COUNTRY

By Max Low

vaniquished children pretty much the same, said quickly.

"It's all part of cross-country, and it's good for them."

Henry Martens is president of Champion Air Conditioning Ltd. in Burnaby but as you listen you know he isn't full of hot air.

"I have six children and they have all been involved in cross-country at one time or another," said Martens. "It has been a Godsend. None of my children have been involved with drugs or have been in any kind of trouble."

Cross-country doesn't put a lot of pressure on the kids like track and field meets but it's a fine character builder and a great part of growing up. In cross-country, they have a goal and know that they have to work and discipline themselves to achieve that goal."

Henry's kids have achieved lots of goals.

Bev's elder sister, Doreen Martens, was B.C. and Canadian high school cross-country champion and, after winning the national open title, repre-

sented her country in the world cross-country championships in Scotland.

And John Martens is probably the hottest young prospect in Canada today. His battles with Tom Griffin of Mt. Douglas High have been classic.

Martens and Griffin were first and second at White Rock, just as they were a year ago in Coquitlam. Martens, unbeaten this year in B.C., was third and Griffin fourth in the Canadian Junior Olympics in Edmonton recently. In the Pacific Northwest cross-country championships on the same White Rock course two weeks ago, it was Martens first and Griffin second.

Before their latest clash, Martens was confident. He had been running well, he said, but he admitted Griffin had been his "toughest threat" for the last two years. And Tom, obviously used to his "bridesmaid's role," said after the race that he never gives up but that "Martens is pretty quick, and once you start losing, you know you're in trouble."

Ron Bowker, who coached

Sharon Young and the Esquimalt girls' team to victory, was quick to back Henry Martens' praise of the sport.

"Cross-country is probably the number one activity where the kids who are willing to set a goal and work hard achieve it," Ron said.

Meet director Luke Van Harmelen, coach of Fraser Valley Christian, just couldn't believe it and seemed to prefix every announcement with: "And from the other side of the water, AGAIN, we have..."

"It kind of made you feel good you were from the other side of the water," laughed Bowker.

As well as the twin Esqui-



FRIENDLY RIVALS John Martens (left) of Burnaby South and Tom Griffin of Mt. Douglas share joke before start of B.C. high school race.

For second year in row, it was Martens first and Griffin second in field of 167 runners. (Times photo by Max Low)



Titans Swipe Spotlight

Victoria High Titans stole the limelight Wednesday evening as Oak Bay Barbarians and Claremont Spartans moved into first place in their respective divisions of the inter-high school rugby league.

Titans pulled the biggest upset of the young season by defeating Esquimalt Dockers 19-18 in a wide-open game at Vic High.

Barbarians hammered Mt. Douglas Rams 29-3 to move into first place in the East Division while the Spartans took over top spot in the West with a tight 6-4 win over Belmont Braves.

In other action, Spectrum thumped Parkland Panthers 43-0.

At Vic High, Rick Cordic kicked a penalty goal and two conversions and Gary McKnight, Rich Lamirande and Paul Knapp-Fisher added tries to pace the Titans to their win.

Doug Andover topped the highly-rated Dockers with two tries and three conversions. Jamie Attenborough added the other points for Esquimalt on a try.

In the Barbarians' win at Mt. Douglas, Rich Foster scored two tries, a penalty goal and three conversions for Oak Bay with Greg Kirkham, Chris Thomas and Angus Izard adding single tries. Richard Hunt kicked a penalty goal for the Rams.

Paul Molholm kicked a pair of penalty goals to spark Claremont while Jim Bainas scored a try for the Braves.

At Parkland, Spectrum got

three tries from Dave Shepherd and single tries from Neil Folger, Doug Carter, Clark Davis, Glen Davis and

Scott Hastings. Dale Marshall booted a penalty goal and added four conversions to round out the scoring.

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WHA Takes Over Racer Franchise

TIMES NEWS SERVICES

The World Hockey Association took over the penniless Indianapolis Racers Wednesday and all but completed transfer of the franchise to architect Paul Deneau of Dayton, Ohio.

No details of a purchase price were announced, but Indianapolis Professional Sports agreed at a board meeting to return the club to the WHA in exchange for getting out from under \$850,000 in debts, the Indianapolis Star reported.

It was expected that Deneau will assume the debts and also \$1.2 million remaining to be paid to the league for the franchise fee, the newspaper said.

In Chicago, Walter Kaiser, president of the financially-troubled Chicago Cougars denied rumors that the World Hockey Association team is headed for Baltimore.

He also denied reports that the WHA has put up money for the latest Cougars' payroll and that the Baltimore group has advanced \$75,000 for back pay.

At Newport Beach, Calif., WHA president Dennis Murphy said that Milwaukee and Miami interests, in addition to the Baltimore group, have bid for the Cougars, who have been averaging less than 3,000 attendance at the International Amphitheatre.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Hershey 3, New Haven 2; Baltimore 2, Richmond 3; Virginia 2, Rochester 0.

CENTRAL LEAGUE
 Oklahoma City 2, Fort Worth 2; Salt Lake 2.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE
 Saginaw 7, Muskegon 6; B.C. JUNIOR
 Nanaimo 7, Bellingham 6.

PRO BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
 Detroit 48, Houston 49; Boston 101; Los Angeles 90; Washington 114; Portland 87; Philadelphia 102; Seattle 112; Milwaukee 108.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
 St. Louis 126; Kentucky 122; Indiana 104; Utah 100; San Antonio 122; Memphis 108; Denver 114; San Diego 108.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE
 League Cup
 Quarter-Finals
 Middletown 0, Manchester United 0, Newcastle 1, Norwich 1, Ipswich 1.

Division I
 Leeds 2, Tottenham 1.

ENGLISH LEAGUE
 First-Round Replay
 WINNIPEG 6 — Larry Skinner 2, Kelly Greenbank 2, Guy Lash, Dale Allan, KANADA OPS, 7 — Mai Ziner, Gary Feuerstein, Jim McAloney, Don Moore, Terry McDonald. Attendance: 1,484.

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Toronto Hopes Dim

NEW ORLEANS (CP) — Canadian interests are making a strong pitch for a major league franchise at baseball's annual meetings here but all the signs say they will not get it.

Talk is that the established owners are reluctant for another expansion — in which Toronto would probably have a high priority — though the politics of baseball probably will dictate it by week's end.

Two other deals were completed Wednesday. The Expos picked up veteran left-hander Woodie Fryman from Detroit

Lake City farm club. They are outfielder Rusty Torres, pitcher Charlie Hudson and catcher Ken Suarez. In turn, Cleveland sent pitcher Bill Gilbert to the Angels' Salt

New Bronco Bucks Kings

In the only other game, Kamloops Chiefs and Winnipeg Clubs went on an eight-goal spree in the second period as Kamloops outlasted the visitors 7-6.

BOWLER OF WEEK

Consistency paid off for Edy Cockle as she rolled 561 triple in Ladies Commercial League to win Bowler-of-the-Week honors in ninth week of Times 12th annual competition. Bowling at Mayfair Lanes, Edy fired 182, 186 and 193 to win women's tempo award, qualifying her for Bowler-of-the-Year rolloffs.

JUNIOR SUMMARIES

WESTERN DIVISION
 VICTORIA 1, CALIFORNIA 3.

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MURDER CASE TRIAL SET FOR JAN. 20

Trial date for Roland Henry Bird, charged with murdering Marlene Marie Margaret Hutchison Sept. 5, has been tentatively set for Jan. 20.

Bird, also known as Tobacco, was committed to stand trial in a B.C. Supreme Court after a provincial court preliminary hearing in October.

Evidence at the hearing was banned from publication.

Bird, 35, resided with Mrs. Hutchison, 34, at 1238 Oakmount.

Stroke Victims To Meet

A fledgling local society for stroke victims and their families will hold its second meeting Friday at the YM-YWCA.

This meeting, which starts at 7:30 p.m., will be devoted to the devices and techniques which have been developed to help those rehabilitating from strokes, said organizer Mrs. Corinne Tench.

Among such aids are those which assist in bathing, eating, picking objects up and in recreation, said Mrs. Tench, a former nurse and herself a stroke victim.

One example of a recreation aid is a card holder for bridge buffs. Holding 13 cards is beyond many people who have suffered a stroke she said.

Commercial card holders sell for about \$8 but a neighbor made her one. She suggests some group, perhaps senior citizens, might be persuaded to make such holders and sell them to the stroke group at cost.

Stroke victims, their families and particularly medical people, such as nurses are welcome to the meeting, she said. But the organization is intended not as an outlet for airing troubles but for finding ways and means to help.



BLOWING BUBBLES is fine for some, but glass blowing exploits of John W. Highley, such as the ship shown by his wife, Heidi, above, are attracting shoppers at Hillside Mall. A Jehovah's Witness minister in the

United States, Highley and his wife will be at the mall each working day until Christmas Eve. While in Canada, they are making their headquarters on their houseboat in the Gulf Islands. (Bill Halkett photo)

RAPED WOMAN FIRES

WHITTIER, Calif. (UPI) — A woman who said she had been raped chased the alleged rapist through her home, pumping five pistol shots into him, in the third such incident in California in recent months.

Ronald Marshall, 22, of Lico Rivera, Calif., was in critical condition today in the jail ward of County-USC Hospital, charged with rape and burglary.

A 26-year-old woman told police that a

man forced open a window to her apartment early Wednesday and raped her at knife-point.

When he turned away from her, she said, she grabbed a .22-calibre revolver from a nightstand and shot him. He fled the bedroom, she said, and she chased him through the apartment, shooting him, the last bullet hitting him as he leaped through a window and ran to a car.

Nixon is an undiscussed co-conspirator in the case in which five of his former administration and campaign aides are charged with conspiring to obstruct the investigation of the Watergate break-in.

Testimony at the trial Wednesday revealed Nixon offered top aides H. R. Haldeman and John Ehrlichman \$200,000 to \$300,000 for expenses if they had to resign because of Watergate.

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The transcript showed Haldeman turned down the offer because he said it "compounds the problem, that really does."

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nothing to discourage all this razzle-dazzle.

"This forthcoming speculation in gold will not build houses or buy stocks and bonds; it will not finance the needs of industry, or people or the government. It will only reinstate the ancient myth of gold."

Treasury Secretary William E. Simon announced Tuesday that the government was planning to auction off 2 million ounces of gold from the U.S. stockpile of 276 million ounces to help meet expected demand when the ban on private ownership is lifted.

Simon said he does not ex-

pect the government offering to significantly depress the world market price. But his announcement of the sale sent gold prices plummeting on world markets.

Simon said the treasury would use the proceeds to pay its bills and finance normal government operations. That would help reduce the federal budget deficit and lessen the need for the government to borrow in money markets at high interest rates.

"It is like a gigantic snake oil promotion," he said. "But the administration is doing

He said deposits may be withdrawn from savings accounts by gold buyers, hurting the homebuilding industry; stock prices might plunge as investors move from stocks to gold; gold imports might increase the U.S. trade deficit and lower the value of the dollar, raising the costs of imported products.

Burns, however, recognized that there is little likelihood of passing a bill before Dec. 31 changing the dates when private citizens will be permitted to buy, sell and hold gold bullion.

Therefore, he reluctantly endorsed the treasury's decision to sell 2 million ounces of its gold, worth about \$360 million at current prices, to dampen demand for imported gold.

Thereafter, Burns said, the

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City House Sales Pick Up

House sales were brisk in November bucking the usual trend of a winter slump, the Victoria Real Estate Board said today.

Total multiple listing sales in November totalled \$8,645,274, about \$2.5 million more than last November and up from \$7.6 million in October.

The number of individual

sales increased by 30 over October.

The board said the average price for property is about \$10,000 higher this year than at the same time in 1973.

Prices were higher during the summer, with sales running about \$13,000 above the previous year, but prices have declined since then.

However, the board said the

market may have hit a bottom in October and be on its way up again.

The board said the Victoria real estate market has been sheltered from the extremes evident in most other parts of Canada. Prices had not fallen as sharply in this city as in Toronto and Vancouver.

November was the first sign of a recovery at the local

level and a more significant upswing is expected by next April.

The board said there are indications that the trend is towards a lower interest rate for mortgages, probably to 11.75 per cent.

However, banks report the rate is holding at 12 per cent for the present.

Real estate sales were brisk during the first five months of 1974 but the market cooled off in June and prices began to slide in July.

Older houses were mainly affected by the downturn with prices for new houses holding within \$2,000 or \$3,000 of their peak 1974 asking prices.

While sales were improved in November, the number of homes becoming available declined sharply with the number of listings falling 188 below the October level.

A reduction in the mortgage interest rate would be a major spur to home sales, the board said.

Trial Will End Without Nixon

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. District Judge John Sirica ruled today that the Watergate coverup trial will be concluded without the testimony of former president Richard Nixon.

Ruling on requests that Nixon's testimony be taken by deposition, Sirica said: "The motions are denied and the trial will proceed."

Sirica announced his ruling just hours after Nixon's lawyers said that the former president would not be available to give a deposition until long after the date set by a team of court-appointed doctors.

The doctors had informed Sirica that the earliest they felt Nixon would be well enough to be questioned would be Jan. 6. Nixon's lawyers argued that Jan. 6 was the earliest date the former president could begin preparing for his testimony.

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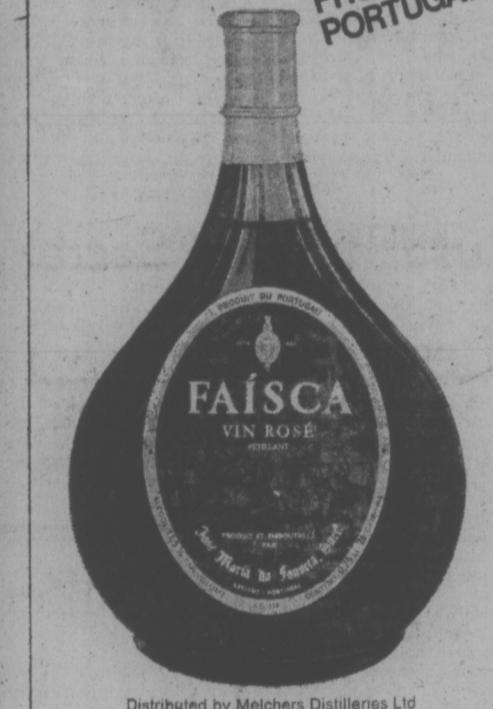
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U.S. Drivers Face Gas Curbs As Voluntary Efforts Drag

WASHINGTON (UPI) — U.S. gasoline consumption is three per cent lower than last year, but apparently that isn't enough for President Ford.

His chief spokesman and his treasury secretary both said Wednesday that the attempts to reduce gasoline use have not been as successful as Ford wished.

Interior Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton reported that gasoline consumption is about three per cent lower than last year and is now running about 17 million barrels a day.

Treasury Secretary William Simon gave some of last winter's gasoline-saving measures such as no-gas-on Sundays or odd-and-even sale

days may have to go back into effect after New Year's Day unless usage sharply declines.

"A return to allocation would mean gasoline stations would have less to sell," Simon told the Chicago Sun-Times.

He said that oil imports are running between 6.1 and 6.2 million barrels a day, while the goal is to hold imports to 5.4 million barrels daily to be less dependent on foreign sources.

Ford's press secretary, Ron Nessen, gave no figures, but said: "Progress toward reducing oil imports has not been as satisfactory as the president hoped for."

The only alternative to gas

allocation, Simon said, would be a big increase in federal gasoline taxes. But Nessen said flatly, "the president is opposed to the gasoline tax and is not personally persuaded of the need for the gas tax."

Morton previously had suggested to reporters that he was interested in the possibility of a gasoline tax, but he was slapped down by the president himself, who said at a question and answer session in Phoenix that apparently his "good friend, the secretary of the interior" had not gotten the word that "we are not considering an increase in the gasoline tax."

Morton, head of the Federal Energy Council and energy coordinator, said by the end of the month Ford's energy advisers would present to him a series of options on what to do about the supplies and that all avenues — taxes, rationing and import controls — would be explored.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Federal Power Commission Wednesday approved an increase in natural gas prices over the next three years ranging from 8 to 16 per cent.

In a separate action Morton urged Congress to decontrol prices of all natural gas newly contracted for sale.

He said that would cause a further rise in the consumer price, but not as much as some have predicted.

The step the FPC took and the one Morton wants both are intended to encourage more production of natural gas to relieve a shortage.

Large oil companies are hurt psychologically by having to pay taxes on revenue they never see, he said.

Lougheed Plans Counter Move

CALGARY (CP) — Premier Peter Lougheed hinted Wednesday night that the province's contingency plan to aid the oil industry might encourage exploration in Alberta and make exploration on federal lands less attractive.

Lougheed told a meeting in his Calgary West constituency that the plan, which would be released within two weeks, would "primarily encourage exploration in Alberta, and only secondary priority would be given to exploration in other parts of Canada, such as federal lands."

He said he was referring to income from oil production in Alberta which is channelled into exploration in so-called frontier areas such as the Arctic and sea beds.

The premier won personal renomination without opposition as about 450 people,

many from the oil industry, gave him a standing ovation.

Lougheed repeated that Alberta no longer feels bound by the federal oil pricing agreement which set domestic oil prices at \$6.50 a barrel, and said oil prices should be brought up to the international level of \$11.70 a barrel immediately.

The Conservative premier said Ottawa's decision to tax royalty payments to the provinces is "repellent to our system of government" and it is causing "the greatest threat to Confederation in history."

He said the prime concern of the government is the small oil producer and exploration company which could be put out of business by "this system of double taxation."

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Lusaka Talks Secret

LUSAKA (Reuters) — Three African presidents began their second day of talks here today on Rhodesia's political future.

Informed sources said the meeting was also being attended by two Rhodesian nationalist leaders on parole from jail.

Secrecy surrounded the meeting in State House, Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda's official residence. The only official statement so far is that routine consultations between the three heads of state have begun on matters of common interest.

It is the second conference within a month which the presidents of Zambia, Tanzania and Botswana have held with the jailed Rhodesian leaders.

They are Joshua Nkomo of the Zimbabwe African Peoples Union and Rev. Ndabingi Sithole of the Zimbabwe African National Union. Both

organizations are banned by the Rhodesian regime of Premier Ian Smith.

Reports from Salisbury, head of the African National Council, the main legal African nationalist organization in Rhodesia, is also attending the Lusaka conference.

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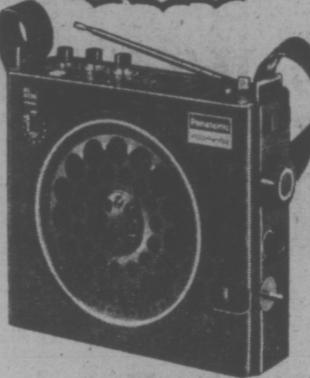


PHOTO ALBUM bound in velvet which belonged to artist Emily Carr, along with three pieces of her pottery, were presented Wednesday to the B.C. government by Victoria Jaycee President Rick Burgess, left, and past president Glyn Williams, right. Public Works Minister Bill Hartley accepted the gifts. Jaycees also formally dissolved their Emily Carr Foundation, which has cared for the artist's Government Street home for several years. The government now manages the Carr home.

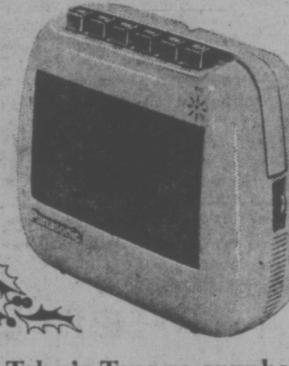
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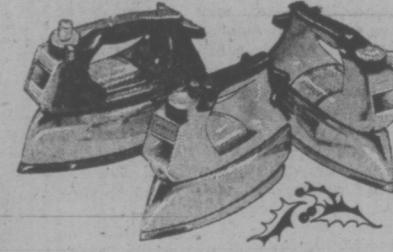


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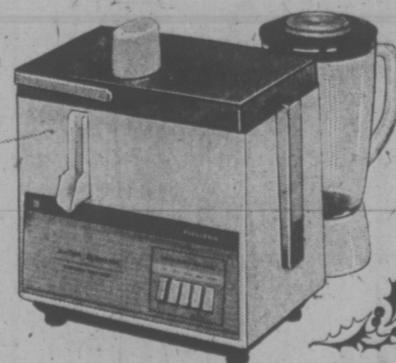
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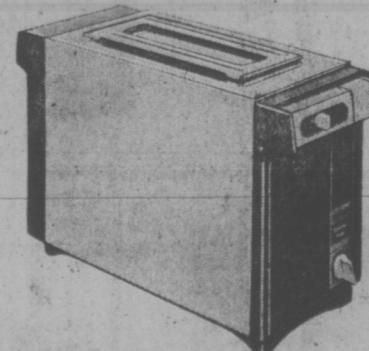
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GILMOUR TO ACT IN PAPER DISPUTE

Mediation officer Clark Gilmour will attempt to settle the dispute between The Victoria newspaper and its printers.

The tri-weekly paper applied for a mediation officer while the Vancouver Typographical Union, Local 226, served 72 hours' strike notice. During the term of a mediation officer's appointment, strikes and lockouts are prohibited for printing production.

The union is seeking a first time employees of The Victoria. The company said 17 employees are involved, although there were 27 when the union was certified as bargaining agent by the Labor Relations Board several months ago.

Three meetings have been held by the two sides but talks broke down last Friday.

Gilmour was making arrangements this morning for mediation meetings.

11 Nominated For Hospitals

The makeup of the Capital district's powerful new hospital planning commission is all but settled with 11 nominations for the 12 seats.

The regional hospital board, which will place four of its members on the commission and select another three from the community at large, will be asked next Wednesday to endorse the choice of:

Art Young, chairman of the regional hospital board; Victoria Ald. Alf Hood, Saanich Ald. William Noel and regional director Dick Emery of Colwood.

Community representatives proposed by the board's executive committee are Robert Wallace, chairman of the board's advisory committee which the new commission will replace; Garth Homer, executive director of the G.R. Pearkes Clinic for the handicapped and the regional district's former director of social planning, and Mrs. Betty

Kennedy, a UVic maths professor and member of the advisory committee.

David Baird, a trust company manager and vice-president of the Queen Alexander Hospital Board, is the choice to represent that institution and Gorge Road Hospital.

Only commission member yet to be chosen is one to represent four end care hospitals, Mount St. Mary's, St. Mary's Priory, Mount Tolmie and Glengarry.

Three other choices were named earlier. Jim Cumming, former regional board chairman, will represent the Saanich Peninsula Hospital, Resthaven Hospital and Lady Minto Hospital at Ganges.

Oak Bay Ald. Doug Watts, on the board at Victoria General Hospital, will represent that hospital and Esquimalt Ald. Terry Prentice, will represent Royal Jubilee Hospital where he is a board member.

France, Quebec To Tighten Links

PARIS (AFP) — France and Quebec reached agreement today boosting economic, technical and cultural co-operation which Quebec's visiting premier, Robert Bourassa, described as a "concrete demonstration of the tightening of links between Quebec and France".

Mr. Bourassa was scheduled to give details of the agreements to reporters after it is signed at the offices of the Quebec delegation here.

French Premier Jacques Chirac said the agreement stressed increased cultural ties as well greater economic and commercial exchanges.

"I am especially pleased with the results we have achieved," Chirac said at the end of two hours of discussions with Mr. Bourassa.

Mr. Chirac said Mr. Bourassa had proposed some of the

provisions of the new agreement at Wednesday's meeting of the French cabinet, when Mr. Bourassa became the first foreigner to sit in on the deliberations of the French government.

Both Mr. Chirac and French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing also made suggestions, the French premier stated.

Mr. Chirac said experts from France and Quebec had worked on the agreement and that the final text was drawn up during this morning's talks.

Mr. Chirac described proposed co-operation between France and Quebec as "full of ambition". He cited the recent decision by Quebec's legislature to make French the official language in the province as one of the reasons for increasing cultural exchanges.

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SAN CLEMENTE, Calif. — Former president Richard Nixon's condition is improving but he suffers from a slight case of pneumonia in his right lung, his surgeon said Wednesday.

Dr. Eldon Hickman visited Nixon at his seaside villa after the former president underwent a series of x-rays at nearby Marine Corps base.

"Mr. Nixon is making satisfactory progress although he clearly remains in a period of convalescence," Hickman said, adding Nixon "has not regained his former weight and tires easily."

Hickman said the x-rays indicate clearing of the small amount of fluid in Nixon's left lung and a slight case of pneumonia in his right.

VANCOUVER — Ray Nettles, 25, British Columbia Lions' middle linebacker, was fined \$100 Wednesday and had his driver's licence suspended for six months for having care and control of a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol or a drug.

Nettles was found by police early Oct. 24.

Judge John Layton said the motor of the car was running and the radio and headlights were on. The judge said he did not accept Nettles' argument that he did not intend to operate the vehicle.

A second charge of driving with a blood alcohol level of more than .08 per cent on Nov. 28 against Nettles was dismissed in another court Wednesday because of insufficient evidence.

NEW YORK — Composer-conductor Leonard Bernstein and Henry Mancini appeared in court Wednesday to testify in the tax evasion trial of bandleader Lyle "Skitch" Henderson.

Henderson had said that Bernstein and Mancini had evaluated Henderson's musical scores at \$650 a selection. The government claimed the value of his music library was virtually worthless.

Bernstein and Mancini denied making the evaluation. "I haven't a clue about the monetary value of an F-sharp," Bernstein told the jury. Mancini said it was "no part of my work to appraise music."

Henderson is accused of evading \$40,000 in income taxes in 1969 and 1970 by taking an illegal deduction for donating the library.

MUNROE, Mich. — Some unknown snow sculptor did so well carving a life-sized Volkswagen that the police chief ordered it towed away.

The copy was carved into a mound of snow that plows had left in a downtown parking space Sunday night after a snowstorm.

Chief Paul Peters was overheard on police radio channels Tuesday ordering patrolmen to remove a small, foreign car.

A patrolman responded that the small car was only a pile of snow.

"I don't care what it is," the chief roared. "If you have to, get a wrecker over there and have it towed away."



MAHEU

Five Words Cost Hughes \$2.8 Million

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — In his only public statement in decades, Howard Hughes uttered five words in an aside that may cost him more than \$2 million, payable to his former right hand man, by order of a federal court jury.

"Dishonest ... he stole me blind," the billionaire recluse said of Robert Maheu.

A U.S. district court jury climaxed a complex, five-month trial Wednesday by

ruling that Hughes should pay Maheu \$2.8 million in damages.

It was one of the largest awards for actual damages in a defamation case, although punitive damage sums have run higher.

But counterclaims allowed for the Hughes side would reduce the award to \$2.3 million, if and when it is paid.

The judge took the unusual step of refusing to dismiss the

jury, holding them for possible callback as the case goes through the appeal courts, a process expected to take years.

Lawyers for Hughes were expected to take the case to the U.S. Supreme Court. Hughes has a good record of overturning adverse judgments on appeal, including turning around a \$140 million suit over Trans World Airlines.

"I feel great, we are very

very happy," an elated Maheu said in Las Vegas.

"It was exactly four years ago today at 3:30 p.m. that I was delivered the message from (Hughes attorney) Chester Davis to leave town by sundown. We are still here and Mr. Hughes has run away," Maheu said.

The award was the result of Hughes' only deliberate break with the solitude he has cherished since the 1950s.

In 1972, he spoke by tele-

phone from the Bahamas to a small, selected group of reporters in Los Angeles to expose the phony Clifford Irving Hughes autobiography.

He was asked why he had fired Maheu, a former FBI agent who had become his "alter ego" for six years and was paid \$500,000 a year to manage Hughes' interests.

"Because he was a no good, dishonest son of bitch and he stole me blind," Hughes rasped back.

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Expensive Brands Chosen

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — Liquor drinkers favor the higher priced brands even though the bottles contain the same spirits as in the lower priced bottles, according to an industry representative.

Bernard David, operator of Premium Products, Union City, Calif., told a state attorney general's hearing that three bottles of vodka, identical because they came from the same vat, sell from \$3.25 to \$3.50 a bottle and the public prefers the expensive brand 15 to one.

The same situation applies to bourbon whisky, David said, because it's all about the same in order to conform to federal standards.

"If you poured almost any brand of bourbon into another

bottle," he said, "I defy anyone to tell the difference.

"One of my best friends even apologizes to me for serving them my own liquor. It's the same as the expensive brand but he doesn't believe it. Advertising by the big brand names has turned us all into automatons."

The attorney-general's office is conducting hearings on California's price support programs and fair trade laws.

COIN HOARD FOUND

RENO, Nev. (UPI) — Authorities have found more than 600 bags, most of them full of silver coins, hidden in the basement of a mansion belonging to the estate of the late eccentric millionaire James Redfield.

The treasure was found behind false walls and under "enormous piles of trash," according to court documents filed by attorneys for Redfield's widow.

Redfield left an estate estimated at between \$70 million and \$200 million and was known to have hoarded valuables at his mansion.

Documents detailing the search for Redfield's possessions said 600 sacks of precious metals, mostly silver or gold coins, were found, along with uncashed dividend checks dating back to 1959.

These are to be appraised along with huge land holdings, three containers of stamps, 19,000 sets of bronze coins and other property.

"In the basement of the house, behind false walls constructed from thousands of cardboard boxes, a vast quantity of silver coins of various denominations were located," the court documents said.

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Truck Pool In Russia Drunk-Prone

MOSCOW (UPI) — Half the drivers at a Soviet truck pool — a total of 83 men — lost their licenses last year because of drunken driving, according to a Lithuanian newspaper.

The Dec. 3 edition of Komsomolskaya Pravda of Vilnius said those convicted included the manager of the truck pool.

"The drivers evidently had little difficulty in obtaining the return of their licenses."

"Some persons lost their licenses as many as five times," Komsomolskaya Pravda said.

It said the reason is that there is a serious shortage of drivers, especially at harvest time.

"People get back their licenses and nobody thinks any the worse of them," the newspaper said.

It described one driver who remained drunk from Friday to Tuesday every week. He said he stopped drinking only on days he had to go to the city, because police are so scarce on country roads.

BEFORE THE JUDGE

A young man in provincial court Wednesday was threatened with a jail term if he fails to co-operate with a probation worker.

Michael F. Foster, 19, of 1720 Newton, had been remanded to Wednesday for a pre-sentence report after he pleaded guilty to possessing marijuana.

But probation officer David Huggins told the court he had been unable to prepare the report because Foster had not responded to questions when interviewed Tuesday.

Huggins quoted Foster as saying, "I don't feel it's his (the judge's) business," when asked about how he spent his leisure time.

Foster also did not discuss fully his use of drugs.

Defence counsel Michael McVea told the court after conferring with Foster his client would co-operate with the probation officer.

Judge William Ostler then remanded the case to Dec. 20 and warned Foster about not co-operating.

A 39-year-old man who pawned two items that were not his received a suspended sentence and was put on probation for six months.

George Allen Ratcliffe, 975

Balmoral, earlier pleaded guilty to two counts of theft.

Ratcliffe stole a vacuum cleaner from a house on Princess Nov. 16 and pawned it for \$15, and he also pawned for \$22 a television set he had rented from July to November.

The cleaner was worth \$50.

"The discharge you had last year didn't deter you, apparently," Judge Ostler told Ratcliffe.

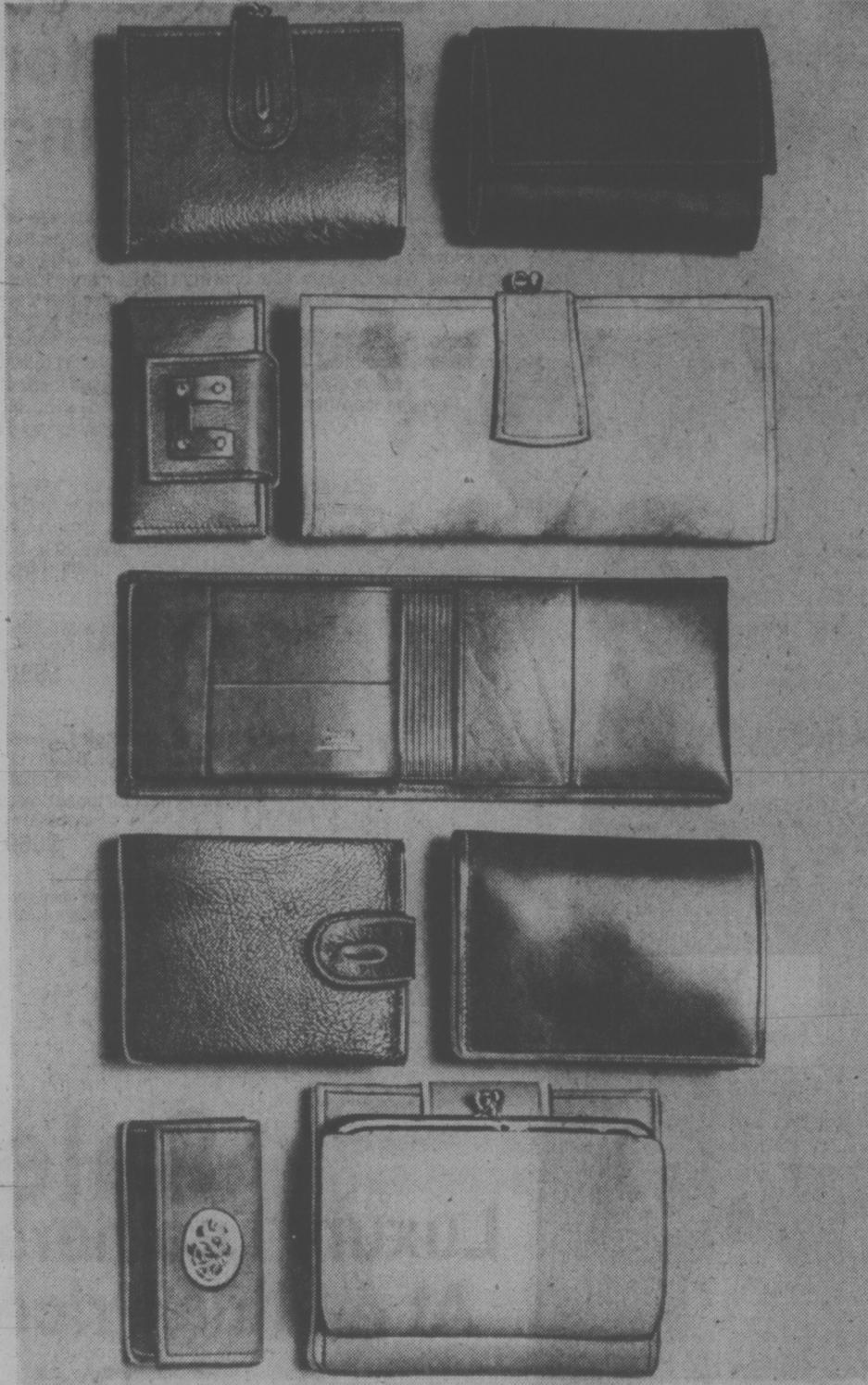
In other drug cases, Douglas Deward Wallis, 19, of 366 Conway, was fined \$150 and put on six months' probation for possessing marijuana, his second drug conviction. He had been fined \$75 when convicted in April of possessing a narcotic.

Ronald Gordon Brox, 31, of 2509 Vancouver; Thomas Andrew Malone, 17, of 2337 Adelaide, and Quentin Joseph Millard, 17, of 2565 Kilgary, were each fined \$75 for possessing marijuana.

Robert John Ross, 51, of 1526 Westall, was fined \$350 and banned from driving for 35 days for impaired driving, and John Stanley Green, 28, of no fixed address, was fined \$400 and had his licence suspended for the same offence.

Record Murders

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government estimates that record 20,518 persons were murdered last year in the United States, a rate of 9.8 deaths per 100,000 population. The previous high was 9.7 murders per 100,000, in 1933 during the depths of the depression. Homicide rates were four times higher for men than for women, and 11 times higher for blacks than for whites.



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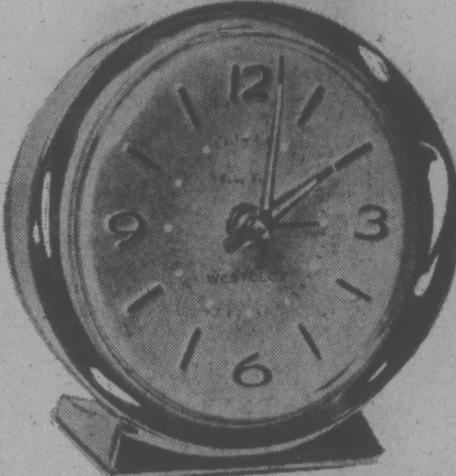
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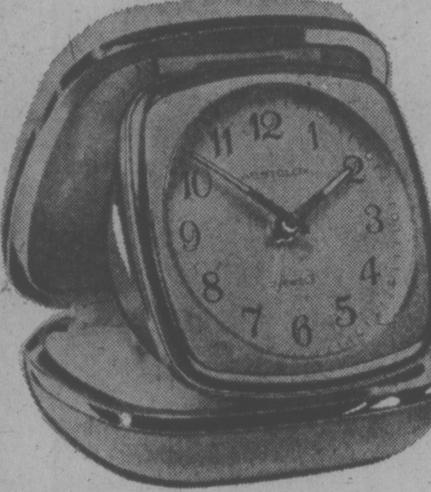
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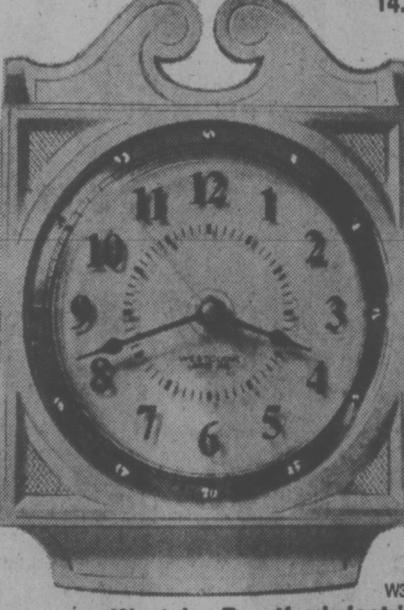
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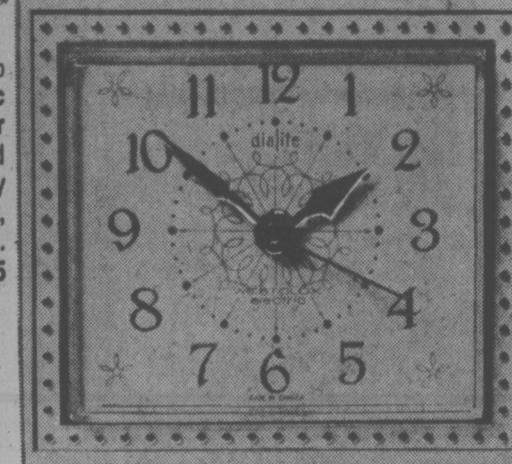
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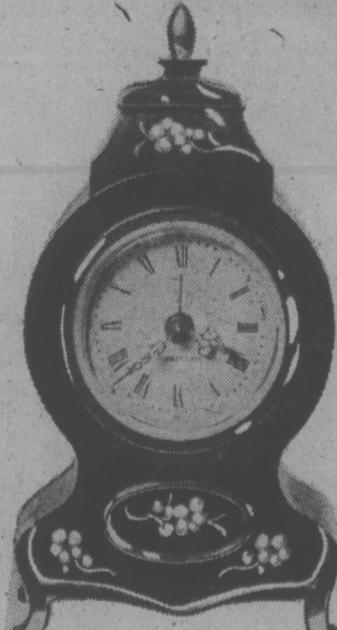
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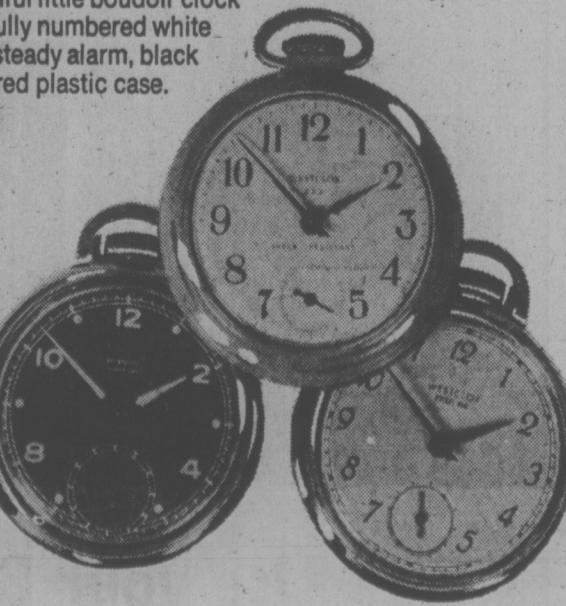
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ULSTER CHILDREN GIVEN PROGRAM TO FIGHT HATRED

WASHINGTON (WP) — Two British women — one Protestant and one Catholic — are seeking support in the U.S. for a program they started two years ago to combat the violence and sectarian hatred that dominates the lives of Northern Ireland's children.

Patricia Fisher — a Protestant and a former member of Parliament and Guinevere Tilney, former president of the National Council of Women of Great Britain, Wednesday detailed the plight of children in Belfast to an invited group of some 100 leaders of national women's organizations.

The problems cited included:

—A sharp increase among children of migraine headaches, asthma, epilepsy and mental illness in general.

—Disruption and breakdown of discipline in schools. "Teachers are reporting that children as young as 11 are bringing revolvers to the classroom," said Lady Fisher.

—Life-threatening hazards of the streets. "Not only is there danger of getting shot or getting caught in the crossfire, but also as the violence increases, the streets are full of bombed out or abandoned houses, with their rotting staircases, shattered glass and rusty nails," said Lady Tilney.

"Now the children have a new game — catching the rub-

ber bullets that the soldiers use and selling them to American tourists for 50 cents apiece," said Lady Fisher.

"Children who were born five or six or seven years ago have known little else but fear and hate and segregation," she added.

Two years ago the two women, both wives of members of Parliament (Sir John Tilney retired this year) founded Women Caring Trust, to try to find ways of helping Northern Ireland's children.

The modest organization has provided four playbuses — old city buses converted into travelling nursery schools.

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Lest We Forget

By DEREK SIDENIUS
Times Staff

If you can believe the statisticians, one out of every two people living today will one day be involved in a crippling or fatal motor-vehicle accident.

If that doesn't drive home the message to slow down and stay alert, then the thought of 12 million Canadians facing an unplanned trip to the hospital or the morgue surely will.



**jack
scott**

About a Perfect Crime That's Known as Murder

I have been asked to mutter a few lines in a forthcoming Toronto radio production dealing with the unsolved murders across Canada, my part being to document some of the private killings on these western slopes that went unpunished, and even the most cursory research turns out to be at least mildly astonishing.

I'm hoping to get some actual statistics from Chief Jack Gregory on the incidence of capital crime that's been filed away in these parts under the epilogue "by persons unknown," but it does seem that here, no less than across the nation, a surprising number of murders have become an eternal mystery and the perpetrators are, as the saying goes, still at large.

Such stories are the most intriguing in any library of crime and probably account for the staggering sale of magazines that deal chiefly with homicide, but a reporter who looks into this may easily become obsessed by a more macabre aspect of the deed of taking another person's life. Like the fisherman who broods over the big one that got away I now find that I am more interested in the killers who not only got away, but have never even been suspected.

The chief can give me a box score, I suppose, on unsolved murders, but the sobering fact is that we've no way of knowing the true statistics of homicide, no way of knowing how many murderers are walking the streets as free men, no way of knowing what they did with the bodies.

The crimes of passion, the spur-of-the-moment killings induced largely by alcohol, drugs, panic or jealousy are almost always detected and solved, but there's simply no way of knowing how many cunning, cold-blooded, premeditated slayings have been committed successfully. To put it another way, we cannot even know of the perfect crimes.

You might suppose that murder is the most difficult of all crimes to get away with. Not at all.

A certain detective friend of mine whose whole adult life has been spent sniffing down the gory details of violent deaths, once claimed that he could, himself, successfully handle a round dozen murders, murders without a trace, yet each demanding an original technique in the act and the disposing of the cadaver. The so-called "contract killers" do just that and almost always answer to persons or groups outside the law rather than the law itself.

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Ever hear of the Missing Persons Bureau? Each major city has lists as long as your arm. Why, in sleepy little Victoria that bureau lists at least five names a month as "genuinely missing," people who have vanished without a trace. Where are those people? Well, most of them have strayed and become lost in the crowd of the world. But how many lie bludgeoned in some lonely woods? Or weighted at the bottom of a river? Or grey ashes in a furnace grate?

Most good homicide detectives think along such lines, mainly because they've seen so many "natural" deaths that were strongly suspicious.

The law itself is, in a sense, on the side of the murderer, though I hasten to add that this has nothing to do with capital punishment. Few laymen realize the amount of evidence it takes to convict a man or woman of homicide. Time after time the authorities will survey the evidence, knowing in their hearts that they are dealing with an authentic criminal case, but will decide that the element of so-called "reasonable doubt" makes it inadvisable to press a charge. To an attorney-general only admissible fact is important so that, very often, the law itself is an unwilling ally of the criminal.

The law, you see, holds that a man is innocent until proven guilty and hard proof is often mighty tenuous. Consider, for example, the apparent suicides, the jumps off the end of boats, the gas turned on, the leap from tall buildings. In case after case the murderer, if such there was, could have been the only witness. It is claimed that even the heart attack may be brought on by a methodical use of certain drugs over a long period, beyond the detecting skill of the pathologist.

It might be argued that the missing link in this kind of speculation is that few people have a motive for murder.

There are, however, a good many. Financially, there are the insurance and inheritance aspects, the kind of thing that once caused so many explosives to be placed on airliners. Emotionally there are jealousies, hatred, euthanasia. Indeed, some professional criminologists take the view that there's a little murder in the best of us. I would guess that any serviceman who has been called upon to kill as a patriotic duty could tell you just how matter-of-fact that may be when humanity is legitimized.

It's worth considering, too, that murder may be a hobby. I remember discussing this morbid subject with my detective friend.

"A modern Bluebeard?" he reflected. "Why not? Maybe your neighbor is one. Maybe you passed one on the street today. You see, we presume there is innocence behind an innocent face. We're unwilling to speak evil of our fellow man, yet in all the animal world there's none quite so evil as the humans. I have, myself, never arrested a man who was subsequently found guilty without being surprised that he could be capable of killing another."



STOCKING STUFFING is getting to be a more expensive proposition every year. Betty Anne Wickens, of 2644 Prior Street, a sales clerk, stuffs

in a Christmas morning treat, but as the price of the treat gets higher, the size of the stocking seems to grow too. (Bill Halkett photo)

'Humbug!'...at \$1.45 Pound

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

Ebenezer Scrooge would have had good reason for his famous "Bah Humbug!" reaction to Christmas merrymaking if he was around this year.

Not only has the price of humbugs gone up to \$1.45 a pound, from last year's price of about 90 cents per pound, but an illustrated version of "A Christmas Carol" is now selling for \$10.95.

Santa's reindeer will not be the only things flying high this Christmas — prices on almost all traditional trimmings are soaring as well.

Take the practice of stuffing stockings for the younger members of the family — the stocking itself appears to be reflecting today's inflationary trends.

The most popular model now selling in Victoria stores is a jumbo-sized red fuzzy sock, between two and three feet long and almost as wide. The price: \$3.98.

More economic felt models sell for \$1.79.

If the price of the container scares you off, just wait until

you try to put something in it. Remember the little 10 cent plastic cars that only lasted a couple of days, but were good for filling in gaps in the stockings — the cars now sell for 29 cents.

Hair clips, fancier than the old plastic kind, but with prices that reflect the new fashion, sell for anywhere up to \$4.50 and there are few for under \$1.

Hollow, milk-chocolate Santa Claus, about three

TURKEYS UP ONLY SLIGHTLY

The more than one million pounds of turkey gobbl'd by Greater Victoria residents during the Christmas season will cost only slightly more this year than last.

Kirk Stanley, secretary-manager of the B.C. Turkey Marketing Board, said strong competition is building up at the wholesale level because of surpluses and this should keep prices down.

He said prices now would be even lower than a year ago except for the great increase in the price of turkey feed to the producer.

About the best buy in the stocking stuffing line is one of the most traditional Christmas morning treats — mandarin oranges. The price has only gone up a few cents over last year.

If you're stuffing a stocking for someone who hasn't been "as good as gold" in the past year — look out because you're getting into the higher priced commodities.

Either a potato or a lump of coal to stuff into the toe of a stocking for a kid who's been less than good, will cost considerably more than it did last year.

Mrs. Hobbs said the Commonwealth Society that the place must be put in order, Mrs. Hobbs said, and "intimated that they would have to close the restaurant down if the condition was not remedied, but when advised that the lease was about to expire, took no action."

Three months' notice was given to The Vegetable owner, Warren Becker, at the end of August.

Mrs. Hobbs said after the notice was received there was a "flurry of activity, ostensibly

toward cleaning up. 'No dog' signs were posted but Vegetable staff continued to feed bones to the dogs that continued to come. The mess was left, as usual, to the NDP staff to clean up."

Mrs. Hobbs said the Commonwealth Society, which had not been considering any public statement on the matter, decided to "set forth the true reasons for termination" after the tenants had made a "political rather than a business issue" of the eviction.

The department notified the

Grim Pre-Christmas Tidings from Safety Council Show Canadian Drivers Just Don't Seem to Care

any longer, but whether that's because of the impact of the campaign or not is a moot point.

Safety council executive director Philip Farmer feels it is.

"The message does get through, at least for a time," he says, noting more than half the months of the year have worse records than December.

Victoria area police officers say it is not a year-round concern. Safe

driving, they declare, is a problem of Herculean proportions.

Sgt. Al Harwood of the city's traffic detail sums it up in one word ... courtesy, or rather the straight lack of it.

City police traffic Insp. James Smith agrees.

"We have the same difficulty instilling courtesy in the people as politicians do trying to get voters out to vote," he laments. "Today's driver just doesn't seem to care about anything or anyone let alone himself."

Colin Barker, manager of the Capital Region Safety Council, points out safety is individual action.

"There is no such thing as an accident ... not according to the strict definition of the word. Most are foreseeable and predictable, like the person who gets into his car when he is drunk."

One indication of how bad Victoria's drivers are is reflected in the number of traffic tickets issued each year.

Last year there were 14,628 tickets handed out.

If the trend continues, Smith suggests, one out of every two drivers in the city will receive a ticket in the next 12 months.

The situation is similar in Saanich.

Sgt. Bill Chisholm says hazardous driving offences have climbed alarmingly. There were 3,362 in the first six months of this year, compared to 4,718 for all of 1973.

The increase is partly attributed to greater enforcement, which he feels

is the prime deterrent to careless driving.

"The only problem with enforcement is we need the backing of the courts and the drivers' licence suspension branch," he says.

Chisholm and Smith would like to see fines reinstated and used in combination with the present demerit system.

Smith believes the courts could be stricter, too, but adds gloomily:

"There won't be any change unless the public demands it first."

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'Veto' Threat On New School Angers Board

By SUSAN RUTTAN
Times Staff

Sooke school board is fuming over a provincial highways department threat to veto a new high school building at Goldstream and Spencer unless the board helps pay for sidewalks and a traffic light.

Board chairman Alan Little said Wednesday the board is unanimously opposed to helping pay for the road improvements.

"I just can't understand it at all," he said of the highway department's move.

The board has received a letter, signed by David Raven for district highways manager G. W. Harper, saying the Spencer school project is "not in the public interest" as currently planned.

It "would cause problems, both on Goldstream Avenue and Jacklin Road, with student pedestrians from Belmont-Fisher secondary school."

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CMHA Sets Up Donation Barrels

Red barrels in local department stores are receptacles for donations to mental health patients.

The Canadian Mental

Health Association has set up the barrels for presents of any kind to go to residents of boarding homes and mental hospitals this Christmas.

"Many of the patients have lost contact with family and friends," said a CMHA spokesman. "Christmas can be a lonely time for people in hospital."

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New Rules Will Ground Pregnant Stewardesses

VANCOUVER (CP) — Airline stewardesses more than 3½ months pregnant will not be allowed to fly under proposed regulations of the ministry of transport, a ministry spokesman said this week.

Walter McLeish, director general of the civil aviation branch, said in a telephone interview from Ottawa that amendments to the aeronautics act will be introduced in February or March preventing stewardesses from working after 3½ months of pregnancy.

"This action has been taken on the advice of our medical advisors," McLeish said.

"But there will have to be some action in other government departments to ensure that compensation will be provided."

Land Rights Case Returns to Court

all property acquired while the Fiedlers were married.

When Mr. Justice Moore handed down his decision, Hugh Landerkin, Mrs. Fiedler's lawyer, called it a significant chapter in Canadian legal history in that it reaffirmed women's property rights.

The Murdoch case might have created the impression that the door was closed to women's claims to property rights but, as Mr. Justice Moore said, each case will be considered in its own merits.

Speaking against the appeal, Mr. Landerkin said the key word in contention was whether Mrs. Fiedler made a "substantial" contribution to

the farm the couple acquired during their marriage.

Jack Major, lawyer for Herbert Alfred Fiedler, told the appellate division of Alberta Supreme Court that Mrs. Fiedler's contribution to the farm was "minimal" rather than "substantial," as Mr. Justice W. K. Moore ruled in his judgment July 11.

Mr. Justice Moore awarded Mrs. Fiedler, a school teacher at Sundre, 75 miles northwest of Calgary, 50 per cent of the property rights to 1½ sections of land near Castor, 120 miles northeast of Calgary.

The Fiedlers, both 50, were divorced in 1971 after 22 years of marriage. They lived part of their married life at the Castor farm.

When Mr. Justice Moore's decision was delivered, Mrs. Fiedler called it "not only a victory for myself but a victory for all Canadian women in similar situations."

Major said while Mrs. Fiedler made a "substantial" contribution to the house on the farm, she did not make a "substantial" contribution to the farm operations.

He cited other cases in which divorced women were not awarded rights to property registered in their former husbands' names.

The Supreme Court of Canada, in a majority decision handed down Oct. 2, 1973, said Irene Florence Murdoch, separated from her husband, did not have property rights to their ranch at Nanton, Alta., as she did not make a "substantial" contribution to the

farm.

The folder also cites the achievements of several Canadian organizations who have successfully helped disadvantaged people in other lands.

For instance, three YMCA groups in the Maritimes have

formed an "Atlantic Partnership" with the people of the Dominican Republic to establish a YMCA in San Domingo.

In the Casbah, the most densely populated part of the city of Algiers, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace of Montreal has helped to establish a special school for girls who for various reasons cannot attend regular classes.

A group of Calgary business men have helped the Arugavaram Eye Hospital in Sompeta, India, in its efforts to prevent blindness and assist the curably blind. In addition, hospital facilities have been improved and an eye-glass grinding laboratory established.

For the folder write to: Non-Governmental Organizations Division, Canadian International Development Agency, 122 Bank Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

Free for the Asking

By HARRIET HART

Would you like to help people in developing countries achieve a better life? If you belong to a voluntary organization, such as a club, you can make your group's efforts truly meaningful.

The bilingual folder "This is a Person-to-Person Call" ("Un appel de personnes à personnes") explains that you won't have to do everything alone. The Non-Governmental Organizations Division of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) works with groups who want to participate in international development. Funds raised by such groups will be matched by CIDA, dollar for dollar.

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Post Office Mystery

DEAR ABBY: I am a teenage girl and every time I come back from a boy-girl party, my grandmother asks me if we played "post office."

I know post office is a kissing game, but that's all I know about it. I've asked my grandmother (and several other people in their 50s and 60s) how that game is played, but nobody seems to know. Do you?

And if you don't, will you please try to find out what are the rules? Curious.

DEAR CURIOUS: I've heard about the game, but I don't know how it's played either. Readers? Anybody out there know how to play post office?

DEAR ABBY: We are an elderly couple who invited three relatives to stop over for the weekend during their vacation travels. They accepted.

We hired a woman to help with the extra work — bought extra company food that stretched over our social se-

curity allowance, and arranged our sleeping facilities to accommodate them.

They arrived 24 hours late with no explanations or apologies! Then they said they could stay only a "few hours" as they had made other plans!

I explained to them as calmly as I could that we had been terribly worried, waiting hour after hour, not knowing what had befallen them. It would have been a small effort on their part to have phoned us. Needless to say, none of us enjoyed their hurried two-hour visit.

Please say something in your column about the above situation. Disgusted.

DEAR DIS: What super self-control! They deserved a good tongue lashing for their inconsiderate behavior.

Shame on them. But if they do it to you again, shame on YOU!

DEAR ABBY: I've been married for seven months and I haven't had my husband's parents over for a meal yet. I've had other people over for supper but not my in-laws because of my mother-in-law.

She has a habit of finding fault with everything. When she's been invited somewhere for supper she tells everybody afterwards what a rotten cook

her hostess was. She also talks about what a messy house her hostess has.

My husband's brother's wife has had the in-laws over several times, and you should hear the way my mother-in-law bad-mouthed her cooking! I know how hard my sister-in-law worked to make everything nice, and that's all the thanks she gets.

My mother-in-law keeps giving me hints like, "Are you settled yet?" But I just don't feel like inviting them. Am I wrong? Leary

DEAR LEARY: Yes. Why should your father-in-law be penalized because of his wife? Invite them, and if your mother-in-law bad-mouths you, it will be a reflection on her — not you.

DEAR ABBY: I have this friend I'll call Marsha. Marsha works in a doctor's office and she keeps her friends entertained with hilarious stories of what goes on at the office.

I'm sure Marsha doesn't realize that some patients prefer that their medical histories be kept confidential. I don't want to throw cold water on a lively and entertaining discussion, but someone should tell Marsha that it's not right to be the life of the party at the expense of unsuspecting patients. But who? — A Friend.

DEAR FRIEND: If you're a good friend, why don't you tell her? It would be the friendly thing to do.

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Past Drives No Assurance For USC Canada Founder

I don't suppose there is any person who has been more concerned, in the past 30 or more years, with helping the starving children of the world, than Dr. Lotta Hitschmanova.

Now do I believe there is anyone in those years who has watched more carefully the allotment and disbursing of money and gifts in kind that Canada and Canadians have given to the Unitarian Services Association of Canada, than Dr. Hitschmanova.

I'm also certain that it has been the respect and trust this amazing woman has gained over the years that has made her annual request for funds throughout Canada a success, in nearly every instance.

Nevertheless — and perhaps because of the foregoing — it is understandable that with every new drive, Dr. Lotta is concerned — and more or less worried until it goes over the top.

Sitting quietly with her at the end of a busy day (when she was here last week at the start of the current fund raising effort in Victoria), she expressed that concern in several different ways.

This year, of course, there is the shadow of inflation and its accompanying increase in cost of living, that as she sees it, could mean many loyal supporters across Canada may give less. Some may not be able to give at all.

"With that in mind we need



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to find many new concerned Canadians whose gifts would then help to cover this possible reduction," she said.

Next she spoke of the mistaken idea "that flairs up every so often," to the effect that the USC is government based, through a similar group in the eastern United States.

This was true in the early 1940s when Dr. Lotta, then working as a postal censor in Ottawa, persuaded a Boston based USC to let her form a Canadian branch, with the help of Unitarian churches in that country.

However, as early as 1946, the Canadian USC decided to cut its ties with Boston and to register in this country as a non-denominational, non-political relief and rehabilitation agency, operating under its own constitution and completely independent of any previous affiliations.

The word "Unitarian" was kept in the name merely for historic reasons.

"Today we work entirely as a Canadian organization," Dr. Lotta said. "Donations and gifts in kind come entirely from Canada and Canadians."

These are accepted by an all-Canadian board of governors and when they are dispersed the recipients know they are from the people of Canada."

Another niggling concern in Dr. Lotta's mind is the whisper she hears these days that it is useless to feed if we do not train those we feed to care for themselves.

"That has been the policy of the USC of Canada from the beginning," she said. "Our programs are all administered carefully and always with thought of training and rehabilitation in mind."

As one of many such programs she told me of 320 orphans being cared for in Vietnam by a Catholic priest, Father Hoan.

Recently his government offered him 50 acres of land on condition that he and his orphans clear it and plant vegetables to feed themselves.

When Dr. Lotta said that the priest needed to rent a tractor in order to get the clearing done before monsoon set in — but he had no money.

Through a friend out there he met Dr. Hitschmanova and told her his story. She got in touch with her board of govern-

ment.

The priest is now distributing the Canadian milk at twice the rate we pledged earlier in the year . . . and understandably we are running short and desperately need more powdered milk."

When Dr. Lotta said that the concern deepened in her voice and she added — "you know, just one friendship dollar given by a Victoria man, woman or child would give us 25 cups of that milk."

At the opening meeting of the current fund raising drive

here, Times publisher Stuart Underhill, said if the people of Victoria gave a total of \$22,785 it would pay for a 36,000 pound carload of powdered milk — including insurance and shipping to Bangladesh.

If that happens, some of the concern will be lifted from Dr. Lotta's mind. And if her objective for the whole of Canada goes over the top she will, as she put it, "be walking on air."

Her face lit up with a reminiscent smile as she reminded me that "last year we received from Canadians 14 per cent over the guaranteed budget . . . I was walking on air then and it took days for me to come down."

This year? The look of concern was on her face again when I asked that. But she was quick to reply that "miracles do happen."

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Over \$10,000 in federal tax money was spent in the past year and a half to comfort Victorians who are old and alone.

Catalyst was the Senior Citizens' Campaign Council which received a New Horizons grant in April, 1973 and has since touched the lives of 3,553 of the city's elderly with its programs.

"We want people to know where the tax money has

gone," says council president R. T. Foster, the only one of 16 members under the age of 70.

The council had an information meeting at the weekend and told members where the money has gone so far.

About \$2,000 of the original grant remains and the rest has bought bedding and other necessities some oldsters can't buy themselves. More has financed bus trips,

lunches and teas the council put on to give companionship to the old.

The people helped by the council aren't those receiving adequate pensions or already being helped in other ways.

They are largely the elderly hidden away in small rest homes, lodges and cheap apartments, invisible to most because of their inability to summon strength to move or voice their needs.

Council members find these people through contact with the Victorian Order of Nurses, the Crisis Line and public health workers, said group secretary-treasurer Arnie McVie.

McVie herself is 80 and has worked with the group for 41 years.

She and other council members spend their days tramping around town searching for the best buys in sheets and underwear or arranging outings.

All the work is volunteer.

"We've done a lot of good for these people," said McVie Monday. "Some of them really are alone."

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CANADIAN RULES ON SHORT-SCAN TV

For information concerning ham radio regulations in Canada, contact the Communications Canada office, 815 Government St.

A spokesman for the local office of Communications Canada said Wednesday applicants for ham licences must pass a three-hour examination, dealing with radio theory and communication codes, before a licence is granted.

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Forecast for Friday, Dec. 6

By Sydney Omarr

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't push. If you do, you create obstacles. You make gains now by seeking co-operation of workmen, work associates, persons who have served you in past. If you challenge and cajole, you can expect delay.

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20): Be ready for questions. Get files in order. Have answers available. Probe beneath surface indications. You will be dealing with Gemini, Sagittarius persons. Ability to adjust to a variety of situations is put to test. You'll enjoy it!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Adjustment at home could be featured. Taurus, Libra individuals are likely to be in picture. Conflicts that exist can be resolved. Key is willingness to make intelligent concessions. Diplomacy is your ally.

CANCER (June 21-July 20): You win if willing to let go of outmoded procedures. Otherwise you waste time, money and emotions. Take cold plunge into future. Message will become increasingly clear. Aries, Libra are likely to be in picture.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get down to business. Obtain cost factors. Refuse to be deceived by whispered flattery. Get facts on table and examine them. Capricorn, Cancer types are involved. Member of opposite sex could be playing a role. Protect yourself in clinches!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You win if willing to let go of outmoded procedures. Otherwise you waste time, money and emotions. Take cold plunge into future. Message will become increasingly clear. Aries, Libra are likely to be in picture.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): By making inquiry to one behind the scenes, you obtain key which had been obscured. Don't permit pride to block progress. Your own creativity is sparked. Your own style makes a major impression. Don't sell yourself short!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22): Friendship could develop into a meaningful relationship, but don't confuse "liking" with fiscal responsibility. Means get prioritized in order. You'll get help from mate, partner. But be willing to help yourself, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Highlight versatility. Ask questions. Give full rein to intellectual curiosity. Be skeptical without being unpleasant. One in position to authority may be battling a siege of indigestion. Know and don't take reprimand personally.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What seems to be an obstacle could actually be a warning light. Know it and respond accordingly. Aquarius, Leo and Scorpio could be involved. What you see appears faraway—but communication line can be established.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Discussions center about costs, profits, credits and debits. Involvement with one who is attractive is featured. Gemini, Virgo persons are likely to be in picture. A significant change will be favorable even though it does not appear that way on surface.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Play waiting game. Someone wants to tell you something. Be receptive. Accept is on contract, partner, marriage, co-operative effort. Money and legality — these combine. Let opposition reveal plans. Play your own cards face down and close to chest.

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Sunday at 8 p.m. presents The Hostage by Brendan Behan. Tickets at the door or available in advance at Open Space.

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA THEATRE DEPARTMENT presents Georges Dandin, a play by Molere, Maltwood Museum (West Saanich Road opposite Royal Oak shopping centre). Friday through Dec. 14 at 8 p.m. Ticket information, UVic theatre box office, 477-4821.

ADVANCE REPERTORY at Christ Church Cathedral, Sat-

urday at 4 p.m., features the Cantabile Singers directed by Madeline Gross.

BASTION CHILDREN'S THEATRE at 538 Yates Street, presents Names and Nicknames by James Reaney, Saturday at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Poetry Front at Open Space presents Frank Davy, Vancouver-born poet in readings from his published and unpublished work Sunday. For times of event call Open Space, 383-8833.

NEWCOMBE GLEE CLUB OF VICTORIA will present a carol concert at Metropolitan Church Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

VOICES AND STRINGS, a program by Oak Bay Strings and Monterey School Choir at Oak Bay Junior Secondary School auditorium, Monday at 7:30 p.m. Assisting artists are Ian Westmacott, tenor, and the Per Musica Trio. Tickets at the door.

THE OAK BAY BALLET COMPANY presents The Nutcracker by Tchaikovsky, Monday and Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. McPerson Playhouse.

U.S. Military Aid Squabble Likely

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A new struggle appeared to be shaping up today between the Ford administration and Congress over the Foreign Aid Bill, which the Senate passed 46-45 on Wednesday with a requirement to cut off military aid to Turkey by mid-February.

The \$2.7 billion bill includes a six-fold increase in economic assistance for Israel, raising it from \$50 million to \$329.5 million.

The \$29.5 million increase was adopted on recommendation of the Senate foreign relations committee without administration prodding.

The Senate made another gesture of support for Israel which turned out to be unnecessary. When Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho, sought to cut back all U.S. foreign economic and military aid the Senate stipulated that all funds earmarked for Israel should be paid. However, Church's amendment didn't pass.

The aid bill also includes \$250 million assistance for Egypt.

It would cut off military aid to Chile and phase out mili-

tary aid to South Korea by 1977 because of deep dissatisfaction over what supporters of the bill called disregard for human rights in both those countries.

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger contends that curtailment of aid to Turkey because of its invasion of Cyprus would be a serious blow to U.S. military capability in the eastern Mediterranean. Turkey is a major U.S. ally within Nato.

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has become of about 15,000 British Columbia woodworkers who have been laid off their jobs because of the slump in lumber markets.

The Unemployment Insurance Commission reported that about 9,000 of the woodworkers are receiving unemployment benefits, ranging up to a maximum of \$117 a week. The maximum rises to \$123 with the new year.

Canada Manpower reported another 2,000 were part-time summer workers, many of them students who went back to school and others who "retired or withdrew from the labor force."

Manpower said there was no specific breakdown of the remaining 4,000, but added that "We have noticed a decrease in job vacancies in north-central B.C. and Vancouver Island, which leaves us to believe many of these people have taken these jobs in other industries at least temporarily."

Arabs Buy Interest

WASHINGTON (Reuter) — Dr. Armand Hammer, chairman of the board of the Occidental Petroleum Corp., said Tuesday that Arab interests have recently bought large quantities of stock in the company. He made the comments to a Senate special subcommittee hearing into Occidental's proposed consolidation with Standard Oil of Indiana. He said one Arab figure, whom he did not identify, had acquired more than one million shares of Occidental securities.

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B.C. Prepares To Deal With Delinquency

Recommendations on juvenile crime will be the most critical part of the Royal Commission on Family Law report, to be released this month, Attorney-General Alex Macdonald said Wednesday.

In a press conference, Macdonald said the government will take steps to deal with spreading juvenile delinquency, especially young "gangs" in Vancouver, as soon as the report is handed down.

Macdonald touched on a number of subjects including talks he held at the end of his recent China tour with police officials in Hong Kong.

"They have had tremendous success in Hong Kong recently as we have had in and about Vancouver in apprehension of important traffickers," he said.

"And there's been substantial progress in curtailing the shipment in and out of Hong Kong of heroin to Vancouver."

But Macdonald warned that curtailment of one avenue of supply does not solve the problem since opium "is grown in the golden triangle and can be processed in labs anywhere in southeast Asia."

Parents' Identities Safe—A-G

It is "most unlikely" the government will make any changes in adoption procedures to allow disclosure of natural parents' identities, Attorney-General Alex Macdonald said Wednesday.

He made the comment after announcing the report of the Royal Commission on Family Law will be handed down sometime this month.

Macdonald said he did not want to predict what the commission may recommend in regards to adoption law but he said he did not expect the government to make any changes "in terms of the sealed envelope deposited at the Supreme Court."

The commission, headed by Mr. Justice Thomas Berger, has been holding hearings around the province for several months and one area that stirred great concern among adoptive parents was the suggestion that a registry be established to allow adopted children to find their natural parents.

Demand Rejected

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations has rejected a North Korean demand that the UN military command in South Korea be dissolved and 38,000 United States troops be withdrawn. The command was established shortly after the outbreak of the Korean war in 1950. At its peak it included troops from 16 countries, but has dwindled to the U.S. contingent plus liaison officers from Thailand, Britain and a few other countries.

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CALGARY (CP) — The mother of 16-year-old John Joseph Berze, who was stabbed to death at a Calgary service station last Aug. 23, has been elected vice-president of an organization dedicated to bringing back capital punishment for murder.

"I feel the law is too lenient," said Florence Vermette Tuesday night at the organizational meeting of Voice of Canadians Save A Life.

"I lost my only son," Mrs. Vermette said. "The city has to be cleaned up."

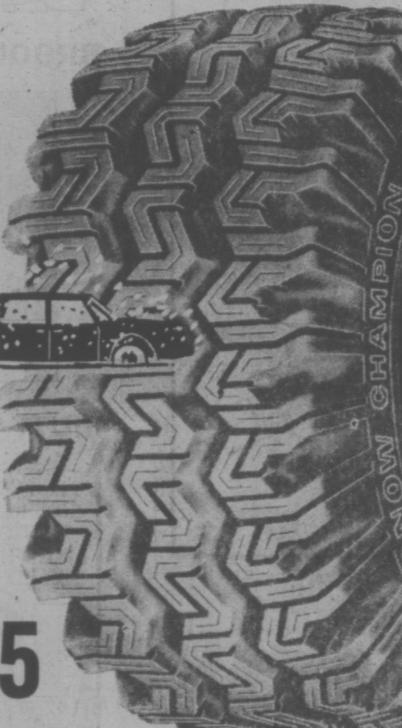
The first meeting drew 16

persons critical of the laws on capital punishment.

Lorne John Rivett, 19, Myles Garfield Santor, 18, and Warren Lee Augustus, 22, all of no fixed address, have been charged with the murder of Berze. They are to appear in Alberta Supreme Court Jan. 6 when a trial date will be set.

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BRATULIC—Born to Rickard and Elizabeth, 1242 W. Burnside Rd., Victoria, on October 28, 1974, at the Royal Victoria General Hospital, a son, Michael Ricardo, 7 lbs. 10 oz., born at 10:19 p.m. First and second grandchild for Mrs. Elizabeth Zupanc, wife of Rickard and Gordon St. John, Victoria, B.C.

CURRIER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Currier, 549 Laren Rd., Victoria, at Victoria General on November 30th, a girl, Michelle Elizabeth.

MILLS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Mills, 4111 Fort Garry Ave., Apt. 3, at Royal Jubilee on November 26th, 1974, a boy, 7 lbs. 5 oz., 20½ inches. Joseph Morris Mills.

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3 pc. Spanish walnut bedroom set, \$275.00
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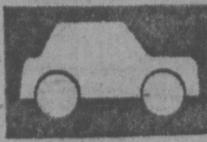
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Population Growth Near Zero

UNITED NATIONS (CP) — A UN study says that the natural population growth rate of Canada and the United States appears to be approaching "close to zero."

The study was prepared by the UN Secretariat based on its own estimates and projections. It was part of a lengthy report by the UN economic and social council on the world social situation, dealing initially with North America.

Recent demographic changes in both countries are a continuation of the trends of the 1930s, the report says.

In Canada, the birth rate declined to 15.9 per 1,000 in 1972 from 17.6 in 1960.

"Since the proportion of women of child-bearing age changed little during the period, this fall in the crude birth rate represents a real decrease in fertility," says the report.

Young wives in the U.S. anticipated having an average of only 2.3 children in a survey taken in 1973, down from 2.9 in a similar survey in 1967. The "replacement level" is an average of 2.2 children per wife, the report says.

The report noted that infant mortality rates were lower in Canada than in the U.S. and life expectancy higher for Canadians.

Infant mortality rates declined to 17.1 per thousand in 1972 from 18 per thousand in 1969 in Canada. Crude death rates did not change significantly. Life expectancy at birth averaged 72 years for males and females in Canada and 71.1 in the U.S.

The report also showed these other trends in the population of Canada:

The average size of households dropped to 3.6 persons from 4.0 between 1961 and 1971. This change was partly due to the decline in birth rates and partly to an increase in the number of single-person households, young

adults or the elderly living alone.

A significant effect of the recent decline in population growth has been a change in

the distribution of population by age. Between 1966 and 1971, the proportion of the population 15 to 24 years increased to 18.6 from 16.5 per cent and the number under five declined to 8.4 from 12.4 per cent. Those above 65 made up 8.1 per cent of the population in 1971.

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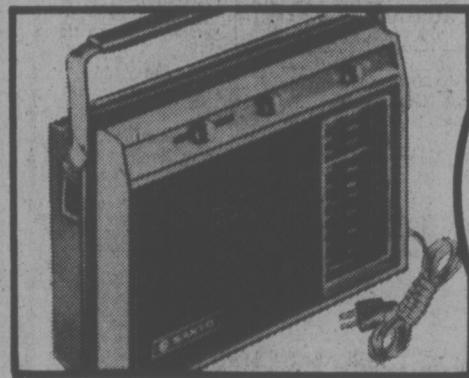


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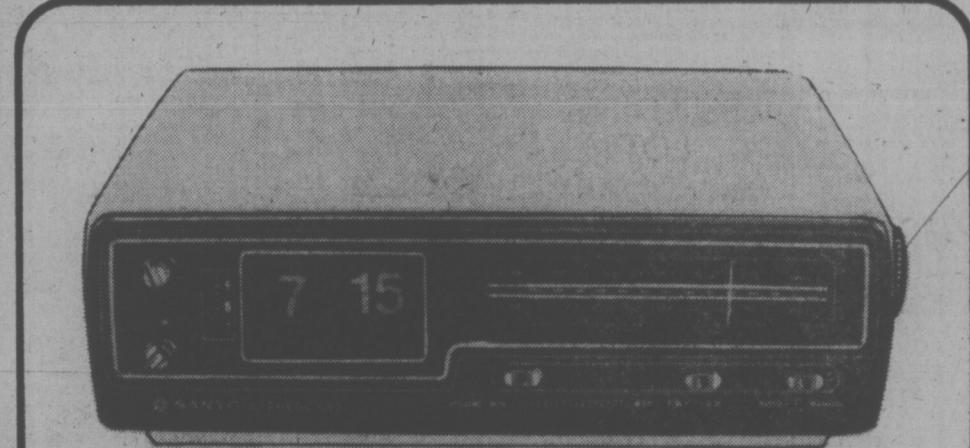
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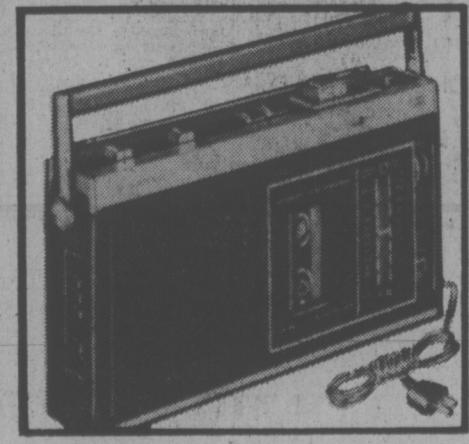
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Demerit Point Refunds

Motorists caught driving without a valid drivers' certificate will get only a warning and allowed 14 days to acquire that certificate under new instructions issued by Attorney-General Alex Macdonald.

The usual penalty for driving without a drivers' insurance certificate is a \$250 fine and 10 demerit points but Macdonald said today there has been "such confusion in the public's mind" that drivers should be given a second chance.

Any driver who has already been fined for driving without a valid certificate should apply to the motor-vehicle branch, said Macdonald, "and if they can show it was a legitimate case of misunderstanding I would hope the motor-vehicle branch would drop the 10 demerit points."

He said, however, he did not think drivers could receive a refund on their actual fines.

"I hope that everyone does understand now that you have to renew your certificate by your birthday, but we will give them 14 days to rectify the situation if they haven't complied with the law," he said.

Besides confusion on the part of the public about the certificates, Macdonald said there has been a problem with Autoplan's computer sys-

Driver Tests Speeded

Graduates of licensed driver training schools will be issued drivers licences without any standard government road test under an interim program announced today.

Transport Minister Bob Strachan said elimination of motor-vehicle branch road tests for driver training graduates is a step to reduce long waiting periods for people seeking driver examinations.

He said there has been a "surge" in the number of people applying for drivers' licences and "public inconvenience has been particularly acute."

"For that reason this temporary measure is being instituted to expedite licensing of drivers until additional MVD staff is operational," said Strachan.

Suspension of the separate government road tests for driver training school graduates will last until April 30 but road tests will still be required by all other applicants.

Strachan said the program will be closely monitored to ensure licensing standards do not suffer, and therefore some driving school graduates, chosen at random, will also be required to take a regular road test before a licence is issued.

Any person licensed through the temporary program will also still be liable to re-examination by the motor vehicle branch.

There are 85 licensed driver training schools in the province.

An additional 24 driver examiners and 11 support staff have been hired by the motor-vehicle branch but Strachan said they will not be fully trained until April 30.

Roof Collapses At Airport

TEHRAN, Iran (UPI) — The roof of the main terminal at Mehrabad International Airport collapsed with a roar "like half and brimstone" under the weight of an overnight snowfall today, killing or trapping up to 60 persons.

A government spokesman said 20 persons were confirmed dead.

Hushnang Arabi, director of Iran's civil aviation board, said between 50 and 60 persons were under the roof when it gave way without warning about 4 p.m.



CHAIN AND SAW but no chainsaw is the Newfie joke device called a Newfoundland Chain Saw being studied by student welder Bob Kinsella at the College of Cape Breton Tech in Sydney, N.S. Kinsella says it was made by a fellow student in the evening course.

NEWS BRIEFS

Border Watched

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — United States-Canada border points were warned Wednesday to be on the lookout for an escaped murderer from the British Columbia Penitentiary, Ivan Ian Horvat 21, convicted of murdering a 17-year-old girl and serving a life sentence, believed to have scaled the penitentiary wall about midnight Tuesday along with Wayne Gary Farkas, 28, who was serving a 5½-year sentence for theft.

Package Explodes

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A package bomb exploded while being examined at a United Parcel Service centre here early today, killing one man and injuring eight others, police said.

Ford Greets Schmidt

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Ford welcomed West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt to the White House today for the first in a series of sessions with allied partners about European economic and defence problems.

Brezhnev in Paris

PARIS (UPI) — French President Giscard D'Estaing and Soviet Communist Party general secretary Leonid I. Brezhnev today began three days of open-ended summit talks aimed at expanding economic co-operation.

\$30,910 B.C. Job For Howard

Former NDP MLA and Member of Parliament Frank Howard has been appointed as special consultant to the provincial government in all matters dealing with B.C. Indians.

Howard will receive an annual salary of \$30,910.

Howard was elected to the B.C. legislature in 1953 and served three years as the representative from Skeena. He was elected as MP for the federal Skeena riding in 1957 and kept his position until July, 1974.

As MP, he was the NDP critic on Indian affairs.

Human Resources Minister Norm Levi said Howard will work with Indians and the government on the resolution of problems.

Item and some people have not received renewal forms in the mail.

Certificates cost a basic \$10, unless drivers have more than five demerit points, but Transport Minister Bob Strachan has said the basic fee will be phased out starting next year.

The committee — Mark MacGuigan (L-Windsor-Walkerville), Heath MacQuarrie (PC-Hillsborough), Stuart Leggett (NDP-New

50% Pay Increase For MPs Studied

Times News Services
OTTAWA — A 50 per cent pay increase for members of Parliament has been recommended by an informal parliamentary committee. The government is studying the proposal but as yet there has been no official reaction.

The committee — Mark MacGuigan (L-Windsor-Walkerville), Heath MacQuarrie (PC-Hillsborough), Stuart Leggett (NDP-New

Westminster) and Andre Fortin (SC-Lotbinire) — discussed the subject with their caucus members and made recommendations to Mitchell Sharp, privy council president.

The committee was not officially established by Parliament but a government source says its work was "encouraged" because MPs before introducing legislation on the delicate subject.

MPs now receive \$18,000 an-

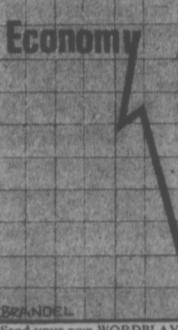
ually, plus an \$8,000 tax-free expense allowance. Before the last increase in 1971, they receive \$12,000 with a \$6,000 tax-free allowance.

It is understood suggestions for a new salary range from \$24,000 to \$35,000, with the suggested expense allowance ranging from its current \$8,000 to \$15,000. In addition, it is suggested that in future, salaries be tied to the national average increase in wages and salaries.

Prior to the opening of this Parliament on Sept. 30, government sources were predicting a hefty increase in salaries within the first two years.

Government sources said Wednesday that legislation to increase salaries is not a high priority but once we establish there is a clear consensus on the matter and the bill wouldn't bog us down in prolonged debate, it could be introduced rather quickly."

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Munro Sees No Wrong In SIU Gift

Times News Services
OTTAWA — Labor Minister John Munro defended vehemently in the House of Commons Wednesday his acceptance of campaign donations from a union as opposition MPs demanded a public inquiry into the affair.

Munro, his voice trembling with emotion at times, denied he had done wrong in accepting from the Seafarers' International Union (SIU) a \$300 donation—which he returned after the July 8 election—although Acting Prime Minister Mitchell Sharp refused to state whether this is considered proper practice by a minister.

In other developments: the Toronto Sun says an RCMP spokesman confirmed Wednesday that Munro is "actively" involved in an RCMP investigation concerning the corruption from the SIU.

The newspaper quotes the spokesman as saying Munro also is under investigation in connection with a Hamilton Harbor Commission fraud case in which nine men have been charged.

Gordon McGaffrey, Munro's executive assistant, said today, Munro did not solicit the contribution from the SIU, contradicting a Toronto Globe and Mail "police source" who said the funds were solicited.

McGaffrey said the transcript of a telephone conversation between Munro and SIU president Roman Gralowicz shows that Munro was returning a call from Gralowicz and that the union leader made the first offer of aid.

He said Munro will respond in detail to charges of impropriety by Dr. Morton Shulman, New Democratic Party member of the Ontario legislature, and former labor minister Martin O'Connell, had received election campaign contributions from the union and Manpower Minister Robert Andras acknowledged that he too had received a donation of \$200 from the union for his 1974 election campaign expenses.

Two Progressive Conservative MPs disclosed that they, as well as Solicitor General Warren Allmand, and former labor minister Martin O'Connell, had received election campaign contributions from the union and Manpower Minister Robert Andras acknowledged that he too had received a donation of \$200 from the union for his 1974 election campaign expenses.

Outside the Commons, Industry, Trade and Commerce Minister Alistair Gillespie ad-

mitted in an interview that he accepts campaign contributions from corporations.

Opposition Leader Robert Stanfield referred during Wednesday's exchange in the House to charges in the Ontario legislature of violence and intimidation in the SIU and reported links between that union and members of the federal cabinet.

Observing that it had been alleged that a senior Liberal cabinet minister was in the pocket of the union, Stanfield urged the government to order a public inquiry to remove this "sur" against its members and clear its name.

However, Sharp, Allmand, and Justice Minister Otto Lang argued that it is up to the Ontario government to

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PM Firm On Oil Cutback

By PETER THOMSON

Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Prime Minister Trudeau Wednesday was pressed into a staunch defence of Canada's oil export policies in his first meeting with U.S. President Ford.

The President, during the 105-minute meeting that was described as "friendly, but conducted in a spirit of candor," expressed concern that the phase-out of Canadian oil exports will cause supply problems in northern states which depend on Canadian oil.

President Ford reminded Trudeau that there is intense political pressure in the U.S. in objection to Canada's oil export phase-out, said Arthur A. Hartman, assistant secretary of state for European affairs, in a briefing following the Trudeau-Ford meeting.

The President also warned Trudeau that he will face further objections to the phase-out at a meeting today with 10 prominent U.S. senators.

Hartman conceded, however, that Trudeau had not given ground on the issue. He had, in fact, indicated the reduction in exports from some 950,000 barrels a day this month to 800,000 next month and to 650,000 by July 1, will become effective.

The only leeway in the reduction plan, which will end all exports by 1982, will be in the latter stages.

Ivan Head, special adviser to the Prime Minister on foreign affairs, stated in a later briefing that Trudeau's argument in support of Canada's policy had been "convincing."

There had been no rebuttal by the president after Trudeau stated Canada's case. Head said.

Hartman said there had been "absolutely" no suggestion of retaliation by the U.S. as a result of the oil export phase-out, either in the form

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GRAIN CHECKERS BALK AT PACT

Times News Services
OTTAWA — Grain inspectors to work at 8 a.m. today and half an hour later ship loadings were under way at several elevators—47 in Vancouver, three in both Prince Rupert and Victoria.

Grain inspectors as well as meat graders also returned to work today in Edmonton and Saskatoon.

The inspectors are to vote tonight on the settlement reached yesterday.

Treasury Board President Jean Chretien told the Commons the settlement called for an 18 per cent increase over a 15-month contract, but Andy Stewart, negotiator for the striking inspectors said that the figure was "a lie."

At B.C. ports, fifty-three

Red Tape Loses City's Fine \$

Slow processing of vehicle identification by the provincial motor vehicle branch is costing the city of Victoria a "substantial" amount of lost revenue from parking offences, the finance committee was told today.

City comptroller Mason Sheldrick said the problem arises when parking ticket fines haven't been paid within 72 hours of issuance. In such cases the vehicle licence number and description are forwarded to the motor vehicle branch for owner identification.

The lists are fed into the department's computer file but often when they are returned to the city there is a high proportion of unidentified vehicles, Sheldrick said.

Part of the explanation is that many of the drivers are repeat offenders whose names have appeared on earlier lists.

Sheldrick said unless the information is available within six months no summons can

be issued and the city loses the revenue.

He cited the example of May this year, when the city forwarded 230 requests of which only 59 were identified and summonses issued, for a total revenue of \$630. But lost revenue for that month totalled \$1,190.

The committee agreed to the branch to speed up its processing. Ald. Malcolm Anderson said it is "incredible" that a province with fewer than one million vehicles can

not run a more efficient computer system.

In other business, the committee recommended that the city's one-quarter share of costs for the \$2 million Neighborhood Improvement Program in James Bay and Victoria West be financed from general revenue spread over three years.

The city could borrow 75 per cent of the \$500,000 (\$375,000) from the federal government at 10 per cent interest.

Sheriff Security Beefed Up

Provincial deputy sheriffs will take extra security precautions and some will tote guns in the future, Attorney-General Alex Macdonald said Wednesday.

Macdonald insisted he has always been government policy to allow deputy sheriffs to carry guns "when necessary" but up until now arms have not been used.

Two incidents last week when prisoners escaped custody and attacked their unarmed deputy sheriff escorts have brought demands for armed protection by the deputies and Macdonald said, "It may be a little more necessary in the short haul to take extra security precautions."

The attorney-general said there will be an increased use of arms by escorts because the "word" might get out that sheriffs are "marks" and it could "spread in the pen that maybe it would be easy to break out from the sheriffs' escort service."

A policy statement governing when deputies should be armed will be released to the public shortly, said Macdonald, but the individual decisions will be made by Geoff Mortimer, director of sheriffs' services, based on the individual prisoners involved.

In some cases deputies would be armed, but in more extreme instances armed police could also accompany the prisoner escorts.

In the case of a drug trafficker, "with friends on the outside," for example, said Macdonald, extra precautions including armed police would be taken.

Asked if the government would have to order more guns, Macdonald said he was "sure" the supply was adequate but more would be ordered if necessary.

Both Macdonald and deputy attorney-general D. Vickers were uncertain how many guns the deputies have but said they are all kept at the B.C. Institute of Technology where the men are trained.

Deputies are given a short training in the use of arms at the school but they are meant to be more of a "civilian force" said Macdonald, with the bulk of their duties centering around courtroom security and the serving of

Lest We Forget

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any longer, but whether that's because of the impact of the campaign or not is a moot point.

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"There is no such thing as an accident . . . not according to the strict definition of the word. Most are foreseeable and predictable, like the person who gets into his car when he is drunk."

One indicator of how bad Victoria's drivers are is reflected in the number of traffic tickets issued each year.

Last year there were 14,628 tickets handed out.

If the trend continues, Smith suggests, one out of every two drivers in the city will receive a ticket in the next 12 months.

The situation is similar in Saanich.

Sgt. Bill Chisholm says hazardous driving offences have climbed alarmingly. There were 3,362 in the first six months of this year, compared to 4,718 for all of 1973.

The increase is partly attributed to greater enforcement, which he feels

is the prime deterrent to careless driving.

"The only problem with enforcement is we need the backing of the courts and the drivers' licence suspension branch," he says.

Chisholm and Smith would like to see fines reinstated and used in combination with the present demerit system.

Smith believes the courts could be stricter, too, but adds, glumly: "There won't be any change unless the public demands it first."

Grim Pre-Christmas Tidings from Safety Council Show Canadian Drivers Just Don't Seem to Care



About a Perfect Crime That's Known as Murder

I have been asked to mutter a few lines in a forthcoming Toronto radio production dealing with the unsolved murders across Canada, my part being to document some of the private killings on these western slopes that went unpunished, and even the most cursory research turns out to be at least mildly astonishing.

I'm hoping to get some actual statistics from Chief Jack Gregory on the incidence of capital crime that's been filed away in these parts under the epilogue "by persons unknown," but it does seem that here, no less than across the nation, a surprising number of murders have become an eternal mystery and the perpetrators are, as the saying goes, still at large.

Such stories are the most intriguing in any library of crime and probably account for the staggering sale of magazines that deal chiefly with homicide, but a reporter who looks into this may easily become obsessed by a more macabre aspect of the deed of taking another person's life. Like the fisherman who broods over the big one that got away I now find that I am more interested in the killers who not only got away, but have never even been suspected.

The chief can give me a box score, I suppose, on unsolved murders, but the sobering fact is that we've no way of knowing the true statistics of homicide, no way of knowing how many murderers are walking the streets as free men, no way of knowing what they did with the bodies.

The crimes of passion, the spur-of-the-moment killings induced largely by alcohol, drugs, panic or jealousy are almost always detected and solved, but there's simply no way of knowing how many cunning, cold-blooded, premeditated slayings have been committed successfully. To put it another way, we cannot ever know of the perfect crimes.

You might suppose that murder is the most difficult of all crimes to get away with. Not at all.

A certain detective friend of mine whose whole adult life has been spent sniffing down the gory details of violent deaths, once claimed that he could, himself, successfully handle a round dozen murders, murders without a trace, yet each demanding an original technique in the act and the disposing of the cadaver. The so-called "contract killers" do just that and almost always answer to persons or groups outside the law rather than the law itself.

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Even hear of the Missing Persons Bureau? Each major city has lists as long as your arm. Why, in sleepy little Victoria that bureau lists at least five names a month as "genuinely missing," people who have vanished without a trace. Where are those people? Well, most of them have strayed and become lost in the crowd of the world. But how many lie bludgeoned in some lonely woods? Or weighted at the bottom of a river? Or grey ashes in a furnace grate?

Most good homicide detectives think along such lines, mainly because they've seen so many "natural" deaths that were strongly suspicious.

The law itself, is, in a sense, on the side of the murderer, though I hasten to add that this has nothing to do with capital punishment. Few laymen realize the amount of evidence it takes to convict a man or woman of homicide. Time after time the authorities will survey the evidence, knowing in their hearts that they are dealing with an authentic criminal case, but will decide that the element of so-called "reasonable doubt" makes it inadvisable to press a charge. To an attorney-general only admissible fact is important so that, very often, the law itself is an unwilling ally of the criminal.

The law, you see, holds that a man is innocent until proven guilty and hard proof is often mighty tenuous. Consider, for example, the apparent suicides, the jump off the end of boats, the gas turned on, the leap from tall buildings. In case after case the murderer, if such there was, could have been the only witness. It is claimed that even the heart attack may be brought on by a methodical use of certain drugs over a long period, beyond the detecting skill of the pathologist.

It might be argued that the missing link in this kind of speculation is that few people have a motive for murder.

There are, however, a good many. Financially, there are the insurance and inheritance aspects, the kind of thing that once caused so many explosives to be placed on airliners. Emotionally there are jealousy, hatred, euthanasia. Indeed, some professional criminologists take the view that there's a little murder in the best of us. I would guess that any serviceman who has been called upon to kill as a patriotic duty could tell you just how matter-of-fact that may be when humanity is legitimized.

It's worth considering, too, that murder may be a hobby. I remember discussing this morbid subject with my detective friend.

"A modern Bluebeard?" he reflected. "Why not? Maybe your neighbor is one. Maybe you passed one on the street today. You see, we presume there is innocence behind an innocent face. We're unwilling to speak evil of our fellow man, yet in all the animal world there's none quite so evil as the humans. I have, myself, never arrested a man who was subsequently found guilty without being surprised that he could be capable of killing another."



STOCKING STUFFING is getting to be a more expensive proposition every year. Betty Anne Wickens, of 2644 Prior Street, a sales clerk, stuffs

in a Christmas morning treat, but as the price of the treat gets higher, the size of the stocking seems to grow too. (Bill Halkett photo)

'Humbug!' ...at \$1.45 Pound

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

Ebenezer Scrooge would have had good reason for his famous "Bah Humbug!" reaction to Christmas merrymaking if he was around this year.

Not only has the price of humbugs gone up to \$1.45 a pound, from last year's price of about 90 cents per pound, but an illustrated version of "A Christmas Carol" is now selling for \$10.95.

Santa's reindeer will not be the only things flying high this Christmas — prices on almost all traditional trimmings are soaring as well.

Take the practice of stuffing stockings for the younger members of the family — the stocking itself appears to be reflecting today's inflationary trends.

The most popular model now selling in Victoria stores is a jumbo-sized red-fuzzy sock, between two and three feet long and almost as wide, the price: \$3.98.

More economic felt models sell for \$1.79.

If the price of the container scares you off, just wait until

you try to put something in it.

Remember the little 10 cent plastic cars that only lasted a couple of days, but were good for filling in gaps in the stockings — the cars now sell for 29 cents.

Hair clips, fancier than the old plastic kind, but with prices that reflect the new fashion, sell for anywhere up to \$4.50 and there are few for under \$1.

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inches, high, sells for five cents an inch.

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Either a potato or a lump of coal to stuff into the toe of a stocking for a kid who's been less than good, will cost considerably more than it did last year.

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TURKEYS UP ONLY SLIGHTLY

The more than one million pounds of turkey, gobbled by Greater Victoria residents during the Christmas season will cost only slightly more this year than last.

Turkeys will sell for about 90 cents a pound this year, up from 85 cents last year.

Kirk Stanley, secretary-manager of the B.C. Turkey Marketing Board, said strong competition is building up at the wholesale level because of surpluses and this should keep prices down.

He said prices now would be even lower than a year ago except for the great increase in the price of turkey feed to the producer.

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YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast for Friday, Dec. 6
By Sydney Omarr

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't push. If you do, you create obstacles. You make gains now by seeking co-operation of workmen, work associates, persons who have served you in past. If you challenge and cajole, you can expect delay.

TAURUS (April 20-May

20): Be ready for questions. Get files in order. Have answers available. Probe beneath surface indications. You will be dealing with Gemini, Sagittarius persons. Ability to adjust to a variety of situations is put to test. You'll enjoy it!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Adjustment at home could be featured Taurus, Libra individuals are likely to be in picture. Conflicts that exist can be resolved. Key is willingness to make intelligent concessions. Diplomacy is your ally.

CANCER (June 21-July

21): See beneath the surface. Dive for facts, not fantasies. Some relatives are intent on disrupting current status. Know it and ride with tide. Don't compound errors by entering foolish arguments. Your views are due to be vindicated. Be patient!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get down to business. Obtain cost factors. Refuse to be deceived by whispered flattery. Get facts on table and examine them. Capricorn, Cancer types are involved. Member of opposite sex could be playing a role. Protect yourself in clinches!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You win if willing to let go of outmoded procedures. Otherwise you waste time, money and emotions. Take cold plunge into future. Message will become increasingly clear. Aries, Libra are likely to be in picture.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): By making inquiry to one behind the scenes, you obtain key which had been obscured. Don't permit pride to block progress. Your own creativity is sparked. Your own style makes a major impression. Don't sell yourself short!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22): Friendship could develop into a meaningful relationship, but don't confuse "liking" with fiscal responsibility. Means get priorities in order. You'll get help from mate, partner. But be willing to help yourself, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Highlight versatility. Ask questions. Give full rein to intellectual curiosity. Be skeptical without being unpleasant. One in position to authority may be battling a siege of indigestion. Know and don't take reprimand personally.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): What seems to be an obstacle could actually be a warning light. Know it and respond accordingly. Aquarius, Leo and Scorpio could be involved. What you seek appears faraway—but communication line can be established.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Discussions center about costs, profits, credits and debts. Involvement with one who is attractive is featured.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Play waiting game. Someone wants to tell you something. Be receptive. Accept is on contract, partner, marriage, co-operative effort. Money and legality — these combine. Let opposition reveal plans. Play your own cards face down and close to chest.

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you have a "good voice." You are persuasive, affectionate, attractive to opposite sex and have a "sweet tooth." Forces have been scattered. You are making adjustment in lifestyle. You will be on more solid footing in 1975. Sagittarius, Taurus and Libra persons play key roles in your life.

VANCOUVER (CP) — An acupuncture clinic is to open at the Vancouver General Hospital early in January, but treatment will be by appointment only and the appointment will have to be made by the patient's family physician or equivalent.

Dr. Chapin Key, VGH executive director, said Wednesday he expects a huge demand for the service, based on the number of inquiries he has received.

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MORE AND MORE CANADIANS are serving wines. A few helpful hints: Champagne and all sparkling wines are always served chilled. White or rose-tinted wines very cool or ice cold; sherries and maderas cool. Red wines, sweater red ports and all sweet wines at room temperature — or slightly cooled.

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report there were only 26,500 in full-time day care in 1973.

But one-quarter of the 2.4 million children under six had working mothers so there is an immediate demand for more than 600,000 full-time day care places.

The report reviews what current social services pro-

vide. It will be published early next year. A chapter on day-care services was carried in the November-December issue of Canadian Welfare, a magazine published by the council.

The report says that even if two-thirds of children of working mothers are looked after in their own homes by relatives or others, about 200,000 should get full-time day care immediately.

Of these children, Hepworth said in an interview, it is a "reasonable guess they are acutely in need of day-care services."

The remaining 400,000 children of working mothers also deserve full-time day care, although they may be looked after by relatives at home now, he said.

Some four-and five-year-old children of working parents attend elementary school kindergarten, getting half-day day care. But Hepworth indicated the demand is for full-time day care for these children.

He noted the Royal Commission on the Status of Women concluded in 1970 that governments should provide day care. But recent evidence suggests an enormous gap between what governments have provided or are willing to support and the actual demand.

Governments should be responsible for day care and pay some of the costs, he said. Employers of parents with children in day care could provide facilities or part of the cost of day care.

Hepworth said he is aware his proposal won't please women's rights groups who want full-time day care for all children.

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"There is no such thing as an accident ... not according to the strict definition of the word. Most are foreseen and predictable, like the person who gets into his car when he is drunk."

One indication of how bad Victoria's drivers are is reflected in the number of traffic tickets issued each year.

Last year there were 14,628 tickets handed out.

If the trend continues, Smith suggests, one out of every two drivers in the city will receive a ticket in the next 12 months.

The situation is similar in Saanich.

Sgt. Bill Chisholm says hazardous driving offences have climbed alarmingly. There were 3,362 in the first six months of this year, compared to 4,718 for all of 1973.

The increase is partly attributed to greater enforcement, which he feels

is the prime deterrent to careless driving.

"The only problem with enforcement is we need the backing of the courts and the drivers' licence suspension branch," he says.

Chisholm and Smith would like to see fines reinstated and used in combination with the present demerit system.

Smith believes the courts could be stricter, too, but adds glumly: "There won't be any change unless the public demands it first."



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About a Perfect Crime That's Known as Murder

I have been asked to mutter a few lines in a forthcoming Toronto radio production dealing with the unsolved murders across Canada, my part being to document some of the private killings on these western slopes that went unpunished, and even the most cursory research turns out to be at least mildly astonishing.

I'm hoping to get some actual statistics from Chief Jack Gregory on the incidence of capital crime that's been filed away in these parts under the epilogue "by persons unknown," but it does seem that here, no less than across the nation, a surprising number of murders have become an eternal mystery and the perpetrators are, as the saying goes, still at large.

Such stories are the most intriguing in any library of crime and probably account for the staggering sale of magazines that deal chiefly with homicide, but a reporter who looks into this may easily become obsessed by a more macabre aspect of the deed of taking another person's life. Like the fisherman who broods over the big one that got away I now find that I am more interested in the killers who not only got away, but have never even been suspected.

The chief can give me a box score, I suppose, on unsolved murders, but the sobering fact is that we've no way of knowing the true statistics of homicide, no way of knowing how many murderers are walking the streets as free men, no way of knowing what they did with the bodies.

The crimes of passion, the spur-of-the-moment killings induced largely by alcohol, drugs, panic or jealousy are almost always detected and solved, but there's simply no way of knowing how many cunning, cold-blooded, premeditated slayings have been committed successfully. To put it another way, we cannot ever know of the perfect crimes.

You might suppose that murder is the most difficult of all crimes to get away with. Not at all.

A certain detective friend of mine whose whole adult life has been spent sniffing down the gory details of violent deaths, once claimed that he could, himself, successfully handle a round dozen murders, murders without a trace; yet each demanding an original technique in the act and the disposing of the cadaver. The so-called "contract killers" do just that and almost always answer to persons or groups outside the law rather than the law itself.

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Ever hear of the Missing Persons Bureau? Each major city has lists as long as your arm. Why, in sleepy little Victoria that bureau lists at least five names a month as "genuinely missing," people who have vanished without a trace. Where are those people? Well, most of them have strayed and become lost in the crowd of the world. But how many lie bludgeoned in some lonely woods? Or weighted at the bottom of a river? Or grey ashes in a furnace grate?

Most good homicide detectives think along such lines, mainly because we've seen so many "natural" deaths that were strongly suspicious.

The law itself is, in a sense, on the side of the murderer, though I hasten to add that this has nothing to do with capital punishment. Few laymen realize the amount of evidence it takes to convict a man or woman of homicide. Time after time the authorities will survey the evidence, knowing in their hearts that they are dealing with an authentic criminal case, but will decide that the element of so-called "reasonable doubt" makes it inadvisable to press a charge. To an attorney-general only admissible fact is important so that, very often, the law itself is an unwitting ally of the criminal.

The law, you see, holds that a man is innocent until proven guilty and hard proof is often mighty tenuous. Consider, for example, the apparent suicides, the jumps off the end of boats, the gas turned on, the leap from tall buildings. In case after case the murderer, if such there was, could have been the only witness. It is claimed that even the heart attack may be brought on by a methodical use of certain drugs over a long period, beyond the detecting skill of the pathologist.

It might be argued that the missing link in this kind of speculation is that few people have a motive for murder.

There are, however, a good many. Financially, there are the insurance and inheritance aspects, the kind of thing that once caused so many explosives to be placed on airliners. Emotionally there are jealousy, hatred, euthanasia. Indeed, some professional criminologists take the view that there's a little murder in the best of us. I would guess that any serviceman who has been called upon to kill as a patriotic duty could tell you just how matter-of-fact that may be when humanity is legitimized.

It's worth considering, too, that murder may be a hobby. I remember discussing this morbid subject with my detective friend.

"A modern Bluebeard?" he reflected. "Why not? Maybe your neighbor is one. Maybe you passed one on the street today. You see, we presume there is innocence behind an innocent face. We're unwilling to speak evil of our fellow man, yet in all the animal world there's none quite so evil as the humans. I have, myself, never arrested a man who was subsequently found guilty without being surprised that he could be capable of killing another."



STOCKING STUFFING is getting to be a more expensive proposition every year. Betty Anne Wickens, of 2644 Prior Street, a sales clerk, stuffs

in a Christmas morning treat, but as the price of the treat gets higher, the size of the stocking seems to grow too. (Bill Halkett photo)

'Humbug!' ...at \$1.45 Pound

By LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

Ebenezer Scrooge would have had good reason for his famous "Bah Humbug!" reaction to Christmas merrymaking if he was around this year.

Not only has the price of humbugs gone up to \$1.45 a pound, from last year's price of about 90 cents per pound, but an illustrated version of "A Christmas Carol" is now selling for \$10.95.

Santa's reindeer will not be the only things flying high this Christmas — prices on almost all traditional trimmings are soaring as well.

Take the practice of stuffing stockings for the younger members of the family — the stocking itself appears to be reflecting today's inflationary trends.

The most popular model now selling in Victoria stores is a jumbo-sized red fuzzy sock, between two and three feet long and almost as wide. The price: \$3.98.

More economic felt models sell for \$1.79.

If the price of the container scares you off, just wait until

you try to put something in it.

Remember the little 10 cent plastic cars that only lasted a couple of days, but were good for filling in gaps in the stockings — the cars now sell for 29 cents.

Hair clips, fancier than the old plastic kind, but with prices that reflect the new fashion, sell for anywhere up to \$4.50 and there are few for under \$1.

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The more than one million pounds of turkey gobbled by Greater Victoria residents during the Christmas season will cost only slightly more this year than last.

Turkeys will sell for about 90 cents a pound this year, up from 85 cents last year.

Kirk Stanley, secretary-manager of the B.C. Turkey Marketing Board, said strong competition is building up at the wholesale level because of surpluses and this should keep prices down.

He said prices now would be even lower than a year ago except for the great increase in the price of turkey feed to the producer.

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Demerit Points Refund

Motorists caught driving without a valid drivers' certificate will get only a warning and allowed 14 days to acquire that certificate under new instructions issued by Attorney-General Alex Macdonald.

The usual penalty for driving without a driver's insurance certificate is a \$250 fine and 10 demerit points but Macdonald said today there has been "such confusion in the public's mind" that drivers should be given a second chance.

Any driver who has already been fined for driving without a valid certificate should apply to the motor-vehicle branch, said Macdonald, "and if they can show it was a legitimate case of misunderstanding I would hope the motor-vehicle branch would drop the 10 demerit points."

He said, however, he did not think drivers could receive a refund on their actual fines.

"I hope that everyone does understand now that you have to renew your certificate by your birthday, but we will give them 14 days to rectify the situation if they haven't complied with the law," he said.

Besides confusion on the part of the public about the certificates, Macdonald said there has been a problem with Autoplan's computer sys-

tem and some people have not received renewal forms in the mail.

Certificates cost a basic \$10, unless drivers have more than five demerit points, but Transport Minister Bob Strachan has said the basic fee will be phased out starting next year.

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B.C. Job
For Howard

Former NDP MLA and Member of Parliament Frank Howard has been appointed as special consultant to the provincial government in all matters dealing with B.C. Indians.

He will receive an annual salary of \$30,910.

Howard was elected to the B.C. legislature in 1953 and served three years as the representative from Skeena. He was elected as MP for the federal Skeena riding in 1957 and kept his position until July, 1974.

As MP, he was the N.D.P. critic on Indian affairs.

Human Resources Minister Norm Levi said Howard will work with Indians and the government on the resolution of problems.



Driver Tests Speeded

Graduates of licensed driver training schools will be issued drivers licences without any standard government road test under an interim program announced today.

Transport Minister Bob Strachan said elimination of motor-vehicle branch road tests for driver training graduates is a step to reduce long waiting periods for people seeking driver examinations.

He said there has been a "surge" in the number of people applying for drivers' licences and "public inconvenience has been particularly acute."

"For that reason this temporary measure is being instituted to expedite licensing of drivers until additional MVD staff is operational," said Strachan.

Suspension of the separate government road tests for driver training school graduates will last until April 30 but road tests will still be required by other applicants.

Strachan said the program will be closely monitored to ensure licensing standards do not suffer, and therefore some driving school graduates, chosen at random, will also be required to take a regular road test before a licence is issued.

Any person licensed through the temporary program will also still be liable to re-examination by the motor vehicle branch.

There are 86 licensed driver training schools in the province.

An additional 24 driver examiners and 11 support staff have been hired by the motor-vehicle branch but Strachan said they will not be fully trained until April 30.

Roof Collapses At Airport

TEHRAN, Iran (UPI) — The roof of the main terminal at Mehrabad International Airport collapsed with a roar like hall and brimstone under the weight of an overnight snowfall today, killing 60 persons.

A government spokesman said 20 persons were confirmed dead.

Husnang Arabi, director of Iran's civil aviation board, said between 50 and 60 persons were under the roof when it gave way without warning about 4 p.m.

NEWS BRIEFS

Border Watched

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) — United States-Canada border points were warned Wednesday to be on the lookout for an escaped murderer from the British Columbia Penitentiary. Ivan Ian Horvat, 21, convicted of murdering a 17-year-old girl and serving a life sentence, is believed to have scaled the penitentiary wall about midnight Tuesday along with Wayne Gary Farkas, 28, who was serving a 5½-year sentence for theft.

Packaging Explodes

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A package bomb exploded while being examined at a United Parcel Service centre here early today, killing one man and injuring eight others, police said.

Ford Greets Schmidt

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Ford welcomed West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt to the White House today for the first in a series of sessions with allied partners about European economic and defence problems.

Brezhnev in Paris

PARIS (UPI) — French President Giscard D'E斯塔ing and Soviet Communist Party general secretary Leonid I. Brezhnev today began three days of open-ended summit talks aimed at expanding economic co-operation.

GRAIN CHECKERS BALK AT PACT

Times News Services

OTTAWA — Grain inspectors in Thunder Bay, balked today at a back-to-work order from their union following the announcement of a tentative settlement of their contract dispute with the government.

A Public Service Alliance spokesman here said about 100 inspectors refused to return to work.

The inspectors reportedly were upset that the agreement was announced in the house of Commons before they were informed of it.

The tentative pact covers 2,300 federal food inspectors whose contract expired last July.

At B.C. ports fifty-three

sella at the College of Cape Breton Tech in Sydney, N.S. Kinsella says it was made by a fellow student in the evening course.

grain inspectors returned to work at 8 a.m. today and half an hour later ship loadings were under way at several elevators 47 in Vancouver, three in both Prince Rupert and Victoria.

Grain inspectors as well as meat graders also returned to work today in Edmonton and Saskatoon.

The inspectors are to vote tonight on the settlement reached yesterday.

Treasury Board President Jean Chretien told the Commons the settlement called for an 18 per cent increase over a 15-month contract, but Andy Stewart, negotiator for the striking inspectors said that the figure was "a lie."

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